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INSTRUCTING DELEGATES!

THEY WILL BE HELD RESPONSIBLE FOR WHAT THEY NOW DO.

J. M. Henderson Writes Interestingly on This Subject—Says There Should be Recoganized Laws and They Should be Obeyed.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

During three quarters of a century there has been no General Conference of the A. M. E. church to which such general attention was direct, as will be to the one now opening at Wilmington, N. C. The delegates have never before been surrounded by vast, and so deeply interested a cloud of witnesses. The first General Conference held in the beginning of the century was a gathering of unknown men, who had everything to look forward to, and nothing of past achievements upon which to rest their hopes. The General Conference at Wilmington has back of it the history of eighty years of splendid deeds. It will be made up of men from all walks of life. It has a great church; the extent of which is world-wide. In short, the wildest dream that might have animated Richard Allen and his little band, has been surpassed by the realities of the present. All feel that the glorious old A. M. E. church has reached a pivotal point in her splendid career. This convention is the outward and visible manifestation of the deep and earnest spirit which now exists among Afro-Americans. The days of jolly, light-hearted frivolity are past and the great problems of life are seen in all their awful proportions. The entire race has come to realize how much the A.M. E. church is to it.

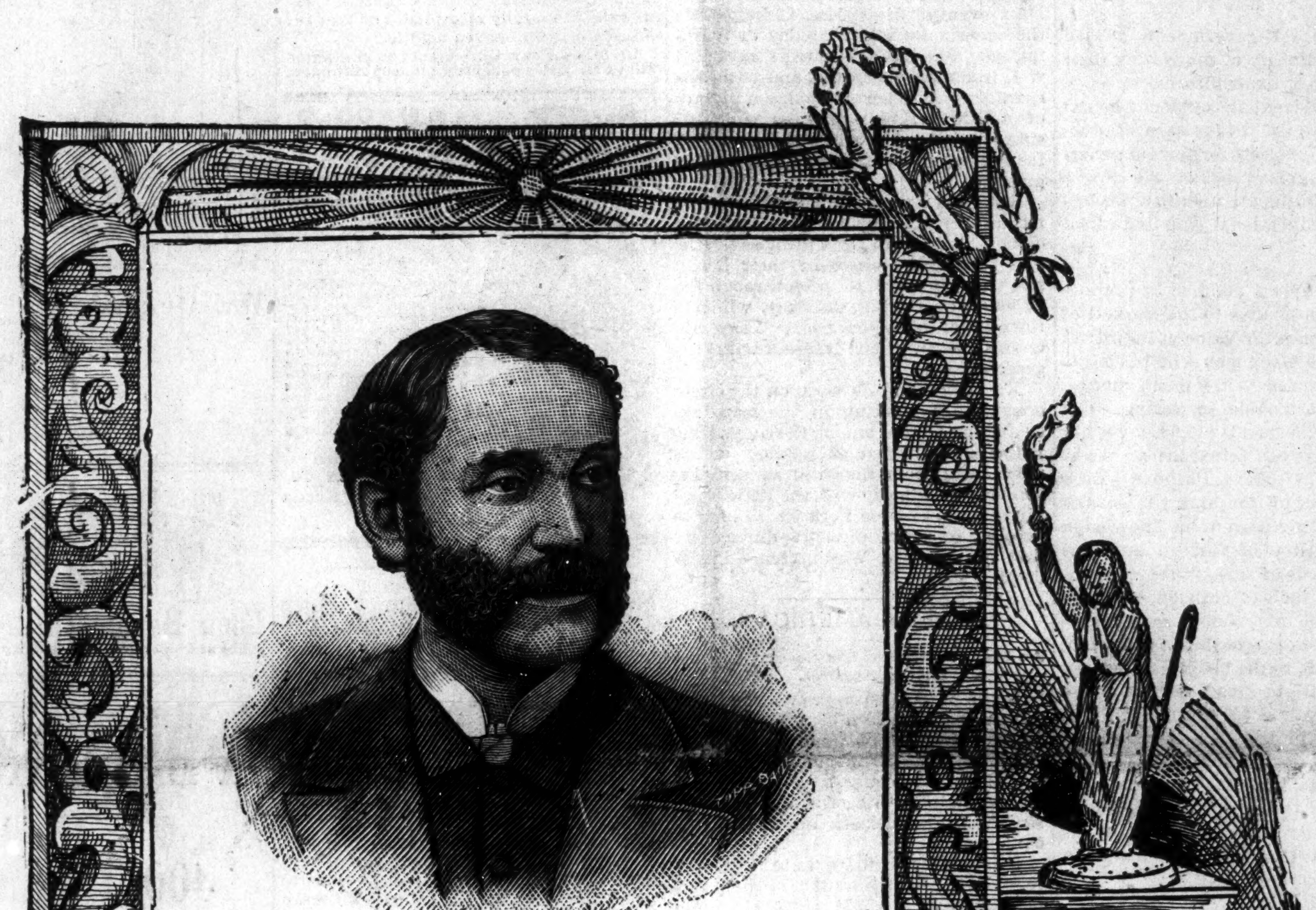
The delegates realize that during all the remainder of their lives they are to be held responsible for what they now do. There are few who will not be earnest, thoughtful, and unselfish. It has been said that the Negro could never rise above his prejudices and his feelings but the assertion is not true. There will be a majority of this gathering who will make all prejudices, friendships and personal interests secondary and the welfare of the church supreme. The severest test will be in selecting new bishops. The delegate who can resist the pleas of personal friendship, who can overcome the persuasion of combinations, who can risk the animosity of the selfish ambitions, and vote for men on their merit and fitness, will by that act prove himself to be a superior man. There are many circumstances which will help to make the selection of proper men easy. It is generally agreeded that no man who has not permitted himself to be discussed will be recognized as a candidate. The candidates will, therefore, be men who have become known, and concerning whom the men have had time to think. The time once was when a few men could spring falsehoods on the eve of election and thereby destroy their rivals. To win a victory by such means would now be at a cost of future hardship that no man would pay. The elections will be fair and the men will be choosen according to their fitness. It is yet too early in the history of our race development to hope for a thoroughly business like arrangement of the various departments of the church, but we can look for many improvements. There is no office in the church for which a dozen good men could not be named. The only question will be "which one of the dozen is the best fitted?"

Among the laws to be amended few will be more hotly contested than those relating to the presiding elder system. The bishops realize that their influence is greatly curtailed by the presiding elders, and the preachers recognize the great disproportion between the hardships and benefits coming to them through this means. In certain sections the laity have become positively rebellious against it. Either the conference claim will be greatly reduced or the system will have to be modified. It is estimated that a strong element from the South will oppose it, and it is certain that the North will be with them to a man. Even the presiding elders of the North would, as a rule, vote against the present system.

When it comes to other legislation in which the element of direct personal interest is lacking the enthusiasm will flag, but there will be a large number of the more earnest men who will stay to the end.

It is sure that efforts will be made to secure the publication of a discipline that will exactly represent the will of the General Conference. A commission should be appointed to prepare the copy and read the proof, and no issue that does not bear their signature should be officially recognized. At present we have no law that is respected. A man who smokes a cigar may be denied ordination, while a bigamist may be retained in the ranks in spite of everything. There should be recognized laws and they should be obeyed. The present looseness cannot safely be continued another four years. If we had the courage to punish some notorious transgressors it would shake the church to her very center. Wisdom demands that we go slowly, and that we first make good laws and have them officially published. The new era must be one of discipline and law, or else one of anarchy and ruin. Too many men have fattened off of the church, and too many have been crushed to death. It will not do to now point out the many specific instances. It is enough to call attention to the well-known facts.

J. M. HENDERSON, M. D.



REV. J. M. TOWNSEND,
Pastor Quinn Chapel, Chicago, Ill., for Bishop.

Church and Social Happenings.

Temple, Tex., Special.

Miss Carrie, the charming daughter of Rev. J. R. Bryan has returned from Waco to resume the practice of the little folks for the May Festival. Miss Carrie is a worker and deserves much credit for the interest she takes in the little ones. Mrs. Will Stephens has gone to Waco on a visit to her daughters. Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Gregg of Austin are in the city on a visit to relatives. They are guests of Mrs. J. W. Ballew. Mr. Gregg contemplates going in business here. Mrs. George Wade is on a vist to relatives in Galveston. Rev. C. Pope, traveling evangelist of the A. M. E. church, is in the city. He has erected a big tent and will conduct a protracted meeting. The young folks of the St. Laveall Baptist church is practicing for a concert. H. C. Clanton of Jackson, Tenn. is manager. Mrs. A. C. Murphy has been on the sick list, but is able to be out again. Mrs. R. H. Perry of Calvert is here visiting her sister, Mrs. H. C. Anderson. E. M. Drayton has succeeded H. C. Anderson as agent for The Freeman. Little Lula Drayton, three years old won considerable fame among the little folks at their oratorical entertainment Easter Sunday. The entertainment was a grand success and the workers deserves much credit. The St Leavall Baptist church had Baptizing Sunday the 19th.

The Silver Spray Club.

Bloomington, Ill., Special.

Mr. Thomas Jones who was hurt some time ago in the construction of the Second Presbyterian church, died April 6th, of his injuries. His funeral was held at the Union Baptist church. Mr. Clayburn Hardin has gone to Peoria. The waiters of the Windsor had a strike last week on occount of a reduction in their wages. Their places were filled. Miss Frances L. Wyche left for Chicago last Saturday, where she intends to stay until fall. The Siver Spray Club gave a delightful banquet Wednesday night in honor of Messrs. Charlie Barton, Clay Hardin and Joe Campbell, who will leave for other cities. A pleasant time was had. Among those present were Misses Mamie Tally, Cora Holly, Josephine Deane, Cassie Barton, Clara King, Frances L. Wyche, Lucinda Barton, Octavio Dent, Lydia Washington, Florence McCrary. Mesdames C. Dickerson, E. Bynom, D. Moody, W. Smith, M. Hale, Messrs. Charles Barton, Will Dabner, Clay Hardin, Joe Campbell, Frank Pegues, James Jackson, Dan Moody, Edward Carrol, Joe Dickerson. Henry Mason left for Chicago last Friday. Mrs. Nettles and daughter Fannie, moved to Chicago Monday. Mrs. Nettles has lived here three years and her many friends regret to see her go. The Teachers' Institute of the Wood River Baptist Association convened in this city on the 26th and 27th.

FOR SWEET CHARITY'S SAKE.

The Masonic Fraternity Gave an Entertainment—The Woman's Club.

Chicago, Ill., Special.

Elder J. B. Dawson, pastor of Allen Chapel in Avendale, has been in serious trouble for the past week. Last Sunday, Mrs. Susie Adams one of his flock, went to church and caused quite a stir. She swore out a warrant for the arrest of Elder Dawson, Andrew Pody, Belle Dawson, Jettie Moody and Bert Sheridan. Rev. Dawson, Miss Moody, and Sheridan were arrested, taken to the station-house, where they gave bail, and were released. After the Reverand had secured bail he at once secured the arrest of Miss Adams, who secured bail. The trial was held Thursday and Rev. Dawson and his friends were dischaged and Mrs. Adams was fined $10 and cost. Alfred Fields, the brutal murderer of Mrs. Ellen Randolph, a highly respected colored lady of this city, and who was sentenced after acknowledging his terriable crime to be hanged on May 15th, is trying to put in a plea of insanity. The affidavits filed were made by Drs. H. E. R. Alteneoh, L. D. Rogers and E R. McIntrer. The above named physicians say that they have examined Fields and believe he is a lunatic. The public is watching the case with care, and will see to it that the law is carried out. Thursday night April 16th, the First Regiment Armory, one of the largest halls in this city, was filled with people who gathered to dance for sweet charity The entertainment was given under the auspices of the Masonic fraternity and for the benefit of the Old Folk's Home of this city. About three thousand people attended this entertainment and it was a grand success both socially and financially. After all expences were paid they cleared $500 which will do the Home a great deal of good.

The entertainment was one that will long be remembered by all who attended. The first part of the evening was spent in exhibition drills by the different commandries under their captains, which was of the highest order. At 12 o'clock sharp the band with its 25 pieces gave signal for the grand march. About 2,000 people took part.

There has been considerable trouble for the past week in the Chicago Woman's Club (white) over the report that some friends of Mrs. Fannie Barrier-Williams (colored) in the club were going to run her for president of the Club. At their meeting last week quite an interest was manifested by all the members present. But after a careful search of the constitution it was found that to preside over that body you had to be a member of the Club more than three years. Of course, that ended the scheme. Mrs. Williams is generally considered by all who know her as a woman of ability, and if elected to such an office could fill it with honor.

Closing of School.

Italy, Texas, Special.

The close of the Italy school, which was taught by Miss Sallie B. Peeples, was celebrated by a concert given Friday night the 20th ult. The concert was well attended, there being people present from Milford, Foreston and Waxahachie. The program was quite a lengthy one, and there was no pains spared in its production. The addresses of welcome by little Misses Bessie Low and Bertha Coffie was a rare treat for littte tots. The welcome song by the school elicited much applause. Among the best pieces on the program were "Brother Watkins," by Jesse Sims; "Jennie McNeal," by Maria Flemmings; 'Annie and Willie's Prayer," by Frances Coffie; "Asleep at the Switch," by Aaron Sims; "God Bless Our School," by Mattie Coffie; "Popping Corn," by Houston Sims; "Nebuchadnezzar," by Nashville Sims. Mr. Sim's selection brought down the house. The hoop drill with music by Mrs. S. T. Jennifer, and tableaux "Nearer, My God, to Thee," with music, was very touching. "Curing the Borrowers," a dialogue and the closing song closed the concert. Everybody felt amply paid for turning out. This is Miss Peoples second term, and every patron wants her to return.

Drank Concentrated Lye.

Poplar Bluff, Mo., Special.

Quite an excitement occurred at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Jordan, on the 3rd inst., caused by their little son Frank drinking concentrated lye. The Swiss entertainment given by the True Elevens on April 4th was largely attended. Music was furnished by the S. C. Cornet Band. Dr. W. C. Combs, Andrew Whitehead, and others were in this city from Neelyville, Mo., on the 8th inst. Gus Gatlin accidently shot himself on Saturday, April 4th. Elder Crawford, of Marianna, Ark., and Mrs. Hunter, of Neelyville, were in this city on the 7th inst. Reuben Wyatt, Sr., entertained several young ladies and gentlemen at his residence on Poplar street in honor of his 67th anniversary. The Baptists are carrying on a revival at Pleasant Hill Baptist church.

FLORIDA'S FAVORITE SON,

FOR FINANCIAL SECRETARY—REV. M. M. MOORE ENDORSED

By the Florida Delegates—Rev. C. A. A. Taylor has Something to Say Concerning the Editorship of Religious Journals.

EDITOR FREEMAN:

Your journal being widely circulated and read especially by the leading thinking and active men and women of our race variety throughout the world, I feel that there is no medium through which to more successfully reach the masses. Therefore anent the discussion of logical and available men for General Conference honors by the delegates to assemble and legislate for the great A. M. E. church this month at Wilmington, N. C., I wish again to present the claim of Florida for one of her sons—a Christian gentleman of unquestioned piety and holy zeal for both the church, the state and the race; a polished scholar, a spiritual soul-winner and logical preacher, a progressive pastor and model presiding elder—the dollar money king of the whole connection, he having at the last South Florida Conference reported $1.28 per capita for membership in his district. He has at all times led all others in this State in May Day, Endowment Day, and Children's Day collections, and in conversions and general improvements in his district. He has never fallen behind his predecessor on any district where appointed. He never resorts to the methods of the political poltroon and demagogic trickster to win preferment in the church, and yet out of twenty-three ministerial and lay delegates from this State to the General Conference in May, seventeen have pledged themselves and publicly declared to support him for the connectional financial secretaryship. That man is Rev. M. M. Moore, D. D., presiding elder of the Tampa District, South Florida Conference. So far as the church in this State is concerned, Dr. S. H. Colerman is not even a second choice, and he only keeps his name bobbing up before the public through an arbitrary power which as State Grand Master of Masons permits him to appoint his own district delegates, thus insuring his re-election ad in finitum. And even in the Masonic fraternity the leading men in this State are tired of Rev. Dr. S. H. Colerman, and once taken down from that office he is done for even as your born to die.

I look with fearful forebodings upon the day when the hightest and holiest office of the great A. M. E. church can be obtained through the methods of the conventional politician. To elevate such men is to inflict a dire calamity upon the whole church. It is well enough to pull wires in secular affairs, but it requires a lot of brass and consummate cheek, if not uncircumcised gall, in a man tricking for preferment in God's holy church, where holy zeal and deep piety ought to excel.

As editor of The Christian Recorder, the church ought to always look to find a consecrated scholar, a man of deep piety and religious zeal, for the spread of the Redeemer's kingdom. He should be a broad-minded man, unbiased, having no special hobby excepting right, and a man fearless to speak the right, elevating fairness always above party spirit and low, mean jealousies; a man whose high conception of business predominates his prejudices. Such a man is the Rev. J. M. Henderson, M. D., of New York. I have met him and have a personal knowledge of his eminent and versatile fitness for the editorial chair of a great religious journal. While making bishops the church's intelligence will be reflected upon, her dignity stultified, and every race-loving Negro with the least pride will be insulted, and all fair-minded white people will be astonished, if the delegates fail to elect the Demosthenese of the connection and the unexcelled orator of the world; the leader of men in both church and state, a Christian gentleman, magnanimous to both friend and foe alike; the personification of dignity, the great big-hearted, broad-minded, sympathetic, scholarly Dr. William B. Derrick, whose very presence is inspiring, and only little men incapable of ever being big or great will oppose him, and thus doing will write anathama upon their own memory as ages grow enlightened. What's the matter with J. W. Cromwell, Esq., of Washington, D. C., or our own T. C. Henderson, of The Florida Recorder, as editor of The Southern Christian Recorder?

Another good man of God, the sweet-tongued theologian, the christly entertainer and polished debater, etc., etc., etc., of Kentucky and Tennessee. He's all right for bishop. I mean the Rev. Evans Tyree, D. D. Florida would support him. How about Rev. Dr. Horace Tolbert, of Ohio and New York? A ripe scholar and an undefiled Christian. He's good bishop timber, while Rev. R. M. Cheek, J. H. Alexander, W. H. Mixon, and a host of others are all good and holy men of God, able and worthy of any honor, so says

CÆSAR A. A. TAYLOR,
Pastor of St. John's A. M. E. Church, Citra, Fla.

Dr. J. M. Conner For Bishop.

Little Rock, Ark., Special.

Mr. Ezell, one of our progressive young men has opened a first class store. The State Missionarys met and organized by electing Mrs. H. E. Carolina president and Miss M. E. Waid secretary. Among the visitors were Mrs. G. J. Thurman of Michigan, and Mrs. F. E. Harper of Philadelphia. The Odd Fellows gave a very nice entertainment at Thompson's Hall. The excelsior cafe is up to date in everything. Mr. House has a lovely ice cream parlor on West Ninth street. The revival is still going on at the First Baptist church. The Arkansas delegation to the A. M. E. General Conference will leave this point on the 27th. The white people are as anxious to read The Freeman as the colored.

THE SAGE OF TUSKEGEE!

INDUSTRIAL EDUCATION THE OPEN SESAME TO THE NEGRO.

What May be Accomplished Along These Lines—How to Obtain Respect—Extracts From the Address of B. T. Washington.

Industrial education does not mean that the Negro is to be limited in his mental development. The Negro like other people should secure all the mental development possible, but it is especially necessary for a people in the present conditions of the masses of the Negroes in the South to apply their education in a large measure in the direction of industrial life. Industrial education simply means the conquering of the forces of nature. The more mental development an individual has the more likely he is to succeed along industrial lines; but mental development in itself amounts to nothing except as it is applied in some useful direction. When industrial education is mentioned to the average man he gets the idea that it is meant to teach the Negro to work. Far from this, industrial education is meant to teach one how not to work, but how to make horse power or steam or electricity work for him. It is the ignorant unskilled man who toils from day to day with his body while the man with education and trained hands makes the forces of nature work for him. The masses of the colored people work hard, but by reason of their want of skill and intelligence, some one else receives the profits. There is little profit in the raising of the raw material that enters into cotton fabrics; the profit comes in the higher form of manufacturing. By reason of the Negro's lack of skill he is at present at the bottom so far as the matter of profit sharing is concerned. At Tuskegee we seek to give him such an education as will put him on the upper tier in the matter of production and profit sharing.

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Men make laws to hinder and fetter the ballot, but men cannot make laws that will bind or retard the growth of manhood.

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No race starting so far down the lane of life has ever equalled the progress made by the Negro in the last thirty years. Even the Anglo-Saxon dare not compare records with him in this respect.

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The fact that a man goes into the world conscious that he has within him the power to create a wagon or a house, gives him a certain moral backbone and independence in the world that he would not otherwise possess.

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The man that has the property, the intelligence, the character, is the one that is going to have the largest share in the government, whether he is white or black, or whether it is in the North or South.

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Even the treasures of nature in our Southland, that seemed to hide themselves from the hand of man, have felt the inspiring thrill of liberty, and coal and iron and marble have leaped forth; and where once was the overseer's lash, steam and electricity make go the shop, the factory and the furnace.

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The results of making an ignorant voter an intelligent voter, of making one man respect another, come by beginning at the bottom and working upwards; by recognizing our weakness as well as our strength; by tangible evidences of our worthiness to occupy the highest positions.

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Go with me to Tuskegee in the Black Belt of Alabama, on an old slave plantation where a few years ago my people were bought and sold, and I will show you an industrial village which is an example of others, with nearly eight hundred young men and women working with head and hand by night and by day preparing themselves that they may prepare thousands of others of our race to contribute their full quota of virtue, thrift and intelligence to the prosperity of our beloved country.

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Yes, in answer to your proclamation, Father Abraham, we are coming 8,000,000 strong—we are coming by way of the college, by the way of agriculture, the shop, the factory, the trades and the household arts. With this foundation, if God is right and the Bible true, there is no power that can permanently stop our progress.

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In proportion as we contribute by the exercises of the high virtues, by the products of the brain and skilled hand, to the common prosperity of our country, shall we not receive all the privileges of any other citizen, whether born out of this country or under the stars and stripes?

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Men ask me if measures like those enacted in South Corolina do not hurt and discourage. I answer, nay, nay; South Carolina nor no other State can make a law to harm the black man that does not harm the white man in a greater measure.

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This is the new emancipation we seek to bring about at Tuskegee: to emancipate the white man to love the Negro; to emancipate the Negro to love the white man; to emancipate the Negro into habits of thrift, skill, economy and substantial character; to teach the Negro that if another man is little he can be great; if another man is mean, he can be good; if others hold malice, he can cultivate charity. Thus rising day by day and stepping on our dead selves, we hope to help the black and the white man to bring about that larger, that higher emancipation for which Abraham Lincoln lived and died, and to which you and I should dedicate our means, our lives, our influence and our activities.

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It is interesting to note that the Negro is the only citizen of this country who came here by special invitation and by reason of special provision. The Caucasian came here against the protests of the leading citizens of this country in 1492. We were so important to the prosperity of this country that special vessels were sent to convey us hither.

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In some respects it is already acknowledged that as a race we are more powerful—have greater power of attraction than the Angle-Saxon. It takes 100 per cent. of Anglo-Saxon blood to make a white American. The minute it is discovered that a man possesses one 100th part of Negro blood in his veins it makes him a black man; he falls on our side; we claim him. The 99 per cent. of white blood counts for nothing when weighed beside the one per cent. of Negro blood.

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Unused to self-government, unused to the responsibility of controlling their own earnings or expenditures, or even our own children, it could not be expected that we could take care of ourselves in all respects for several generations. The great need of the Negro to-day is intelligent, unselfish leadership in his educational and industrial life.

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One race respects another in proportion as it contributes to the markets of the world, hence the value of industrial training. The black man who has mortgages on a dozen white men's houses will have no trouble in voting. The black man who spends $10,000 a year in freight charges can select his own seat in a railroad car, else a Pullman palace car will be put on for him. When the black man, by reason of his knowledge of the chemistry of the soil and improved methods of agriculture, can produce forty bushels of corn on any acre of land while his white brother produces only twenty bushels, the white man will come to the black man to learn and they will be good friends. The black man that has $50,000 to lend will never want for friends and customers among his white neighbors. It is right and importont that all the privileges granted us by the constitution be ours; but it is vastly more important to us that we be prepared for the exercise of these privileges.

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When you ask, Has the Negro mechanical skill? I want to show you the finest house in the country planned and constructed by a Negro. When you ask, Is the Negro honest? I want to show you a Negro whose note is acceptable at the bank for $5,000. When you ask, Is the Negro economical? I want to show you a Negro with $50,000 in the bank. When you ask, Is the Negro lazy? I want to show you the finest farm that is owned and operated by a Negro. When you ask, Is the Negro fit for citizenship? I want to show you a Negro paying taxes on a cotton factory. I want to show you Negroes who stand at the front of affairs of state, religion, education, mechanics, commerce and household economy. By this method we shall so knit our civil and business interests into that of the white man, that when he prospers we shall prosper, and when he fails we shall fail. By this method we shall crawl up, pull up, or burst up.

Local Happenings.

Gainesville, Tex., Special.

Mrs. Charity Black is on the sick list. Mr. Miles Jones and Holt Coffee have opened an ice cream parlor on Scott street. The East Gainesville church is improving. There was a social given April 15th, by a club of eight at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Moore, viz: Misses Bonnie Foreman, Laura Richardson, Clemmie Elliott, Linnie Thompson and Messrs. Pink Watley, John Rambo, Garfield Wagner and Crosby. The social was highly appreciated by those who attended.

A Chance to Make Money.

I have berries, grapes and peaches, a year old, fresh as when picked. I use the California Cold process, do not heat or seal the fruit, just put it up cold, keeps perfectly fresh, and costs almost nothing; can put up a bushel in ten minutes. Last week I sold directions to over 120 families; anyone will pay a dollar for directions, when they see the beautiful samples of fruit. As there are many people poor like myself, I consider it my duty to give my experience to such, and feel confident any one can make one or two hundred dollars, round home in a few days. I will mail sample of fruit and complete directions to any of your readers, for eighteen two cent stamps, which is only the actual cost of the samples, postage, etc., to me.

FRANCIS CASEY, St. Louis, Mo.

MRS. CLEVELAND AT HOME.

The Popularity of the President's Wife as Great as Ever.

Mrs. Cleveland's frequent social appearances lately have shown very clearly that the strong fascination which her presence always exerted among women has not lessened the veriest jot. She is the most interesting woman in the country today, particularly in the fact that people never tire of looking at her. No one was ever yet heard to say that he had been able to watch her quite as long as he would have liked. A great many people now know her intimately, and are able to see her frequently, but for the great majority, to whom this intimacy is denied, the only opportunities come with the important functions at the White House.

At one of Mrs. Cleveland's teas recently perhaps 1,000 women had the pleasure of shaking hands with her and at the same time enjoyed a little chat. It would have been hard to find any woman in all this number who, after this enjoyment, did not find some point from which she could stand and feast her eyes again on her hostess. Every detail of her appearance, every ornament she wore and every word she said was discussed and admired.

"Don't you think she is handsomer than ever?" said one.

"I wish I could wear my hair as simply arranged as Mrs. Cleveland," said another, while still another chimed in with: "She seems to fascinate me. I can't take my eyes from her."

So it went—the same admiring comments and the same pleasure taken in even looking at her as everybody remembers so vividly the first year of her residence in the White House.

In evening dress Mrs. Cleveland is the handsomest woman today in Washington. She has a beautiful neck and well rounded shoulders, and with the sparkle of her jewels makes a picture of a White House mistress which is simply regal. Her smile is contagious, for her manners are always agreeably gracious.

Ruth and Esther and baby Marian are miniatures of their mother. The two elder girls love to get a glimpse of the grand daylight doings in their home, and to do it have to peep through the balusters of the big stairway, which is their tower of observation. They talk German with their fraulein with the greatest ease.

Mrs. Cleveland is seen on the street occasionally, walking in the mornings or driving around among the shops. She is the most devoted of mothers and is never away from the children at night. This has done away with the little shopping jaunts to New York which used to give her so much pleasure during her first residence in Washington.—Philadelphia Times.

PURELY AMERICAN.

An Incident Which Has Several Gratifying Features.

While it is to be regretted that any dissension has arisen between the Rev. W. N. Cleveland of Chaumont and the governing body of his church, the main features of the controversy are equally creditable to all concerned and may be studied with satisfaction by the American people.

It is gratifying to see that the presbytery has treated the brother of the president just as it would treat any other clergyman subject to its jurisdiction.

It is gratifying to see that the brother of the president has a fair share of independence. In standing up for his rights he asks no favors from anybody.

It is also gratifying to see that the president of the United States has not yielded to the temptation to make his brother a dependent or a pensioner on the nation, but has left him in the highest position any American citizen can reach—a position of self support and self respect.

Lastly, it is eminently gratifying to know that amid all the prevalent snobbishness and worship of money and power and fashion it is still possible in this country to lead a life of honor and usefulness and of independence on $600 a year.—New York World.

A RISKY VOYAGE.

Two Brothers to Cross the Atlantic In a Twenty Foot Boat.

Frank and Tony Charlesen of Brooklyn have launched a 20 foot sloop in the boatmen's slip at the Battery, New York. It is built of oak and cedar, and the brothers intend to attempt a voyage to Southampton in her. They will start May 27.

The sloop, which will be known as the Two Brothers, will carry 145 gallons of water in four ballast tanks and provisions for 110 days. She is self righting and nonsinkable. A feature of the sloop is her mainmast, which is rigged on a pivot at the base so as to fold down lengthwise over the stern in case it should be necessary to reduce top hamper in that way.

Fasted For Nearly a Year.

For 54 days Mrs. Henry Ingram, Battle Creek, Mich., has not been able to take a particle of food by natural processes. Sixteen years ago she was afflicted the same way, and did not eat food for 362 days, during which time she was reduced from over 200 pounds to 80.

Many inquiries about this strange case are coming from abroad. Mrs. Ingram is very weak, but looks well in the face, although greatly reduced in flesh.

May Be a Big Yacht Race.

The London Field in its current issue says that two challenges for the America's cup are afoot.

It adds that neither challenge relates to the Meteor, the new yacht building for the German emperor.—New York Journal.

In Short.

"How to lie and lie and be a villain still." Copyrighted by H. H. Holmes. —Chicago Tribune.

Let The Whole World Know The Good Dr. Miles' Heart Cure Does

HEART DISEASE, has its victim at a disadvantage. Always taught that heart disease is incurable, when the symptoms become well defined, the patient becomes alarmed and a nervous panic takes place. But when a sure remedy is found and a cure effected, after years of suffering, there is great rejoicing and desire to "let the whole world know." Mrs. Laura Wineinger, of Selkirk, Kansas, writes; "I desire to let the whole world know what Dr. Miles' Heart Cure has done for me. For ten years I had pain in my heart, shortness of breath, palpitation, pain in my left side, oppressed feeling in my chest, weak and hungry spells, bad dreams, could not lie on either side, was numb and suffered terribly. I took Dr. Miles' Heart Cure and before I finished the second bottle I felt its good effects, I feel now that I am fully recovered, and that Dr. Miles' Heart Cure saved my life."

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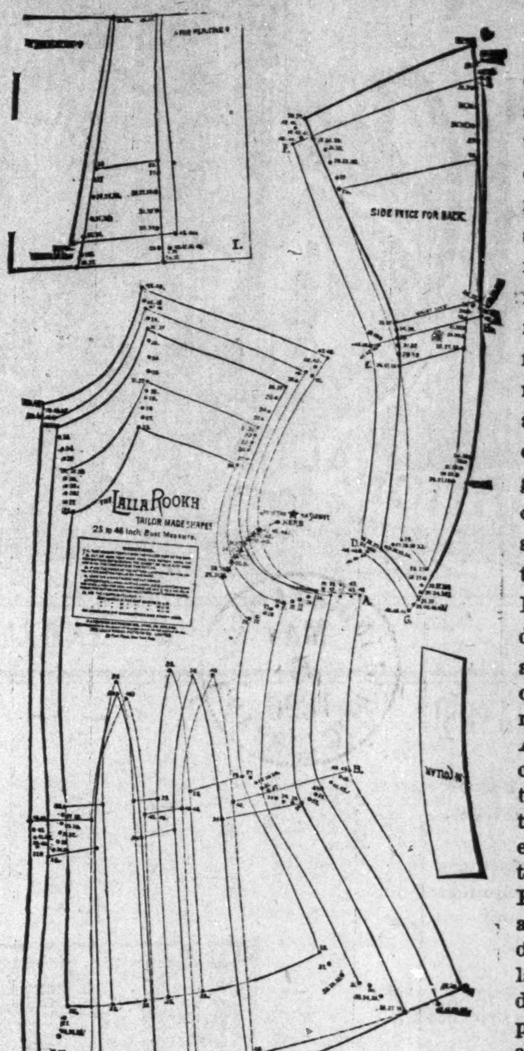

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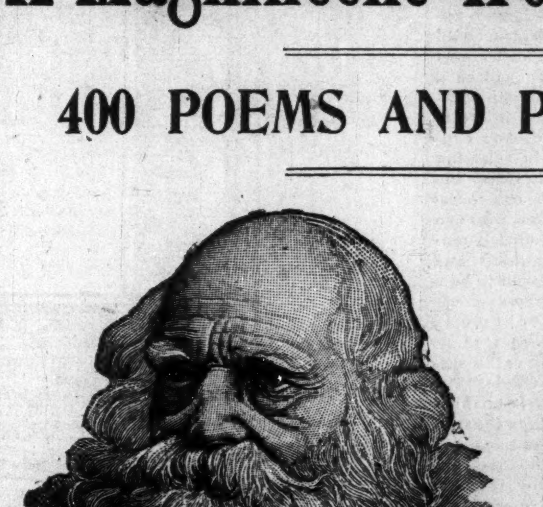

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THE FREEMAN MAN'S TRIP.

A PEN-PICTURE OF WHAT HE SAW —DOUGLAS CITY LAGRELY

Composed of Colored People—What They are Doing in the Commercial World—The New Woman as a Farmer—Go West!

EDITOR FR[illegible]AN:

As I have just returned from a trip through a part of Oklahoma in the interest of The Freeman, I will endeavor to describe my trip, and let the readers of The Freeman know what the colored people are doing. I have not the ability to paint a pen-picture of all that I saw, but will try to make it as interesting as possible.

I left home one bright morning and a journey of ten miles over high hills covered with "black-jack," and across fertile valleys, verdant with wheat, on which stock was grazing, brought me to Douglas City, a colored town. There are approximately speaking, about 250 inhabitants in the town and vicinity. Douglas City has two churches—Methodist and Baptist; one store and post-office kept by a colored man who does a very large business; one blacksmith shop, which receives the patronage of both whites and blacks, and one large school taught by Miss Lulu B. Anderson, an accomplished young lady. There was also a G. A. R. Post organized there on Dec. 7th, 1895, and the writer had the honor of delivering an address to the organization, after which a repast was served, in which chicken, turkey, cake and home-made beer played an important part, but were soon devoured by the vigorous assaults made upon them. Arrangements are now being perfected to organize a S. of V. and W. R. C.

I left Douglas City and crossed the meridian line of Oklahoma proper into the Kickapoo country, covered with large timber of almost every species, and watered by many streams which wend their way through the country and glimmer in the sunshine like silvery snakes. As I stood upon the summit of a high hill and looked with wonder at its magnificent grandeur, I thought of Moses viewing the land he could not enter, and wondered if that was to be my fate.

Leaving the Kickapoo, I entered the Iowa country, and a journey of eight miles brought me to the Reed settlement east of Tohee. Mr. Reed is a Methodist praacher and has a store. I stopped with Mr. Jones during my stay there and was treated nicely. On Easter Sunday I visited the Methodist and Baptist churches, and made an appointment to lectuae on Monday night at the Iowa Mission Baptist Church, my subject being "The Results of Three Epochs."

Monday morning I saddled my horse and made a house-to-house canvas in the interest of The Freeman, and noon found me at the house of Mr. James Baker, who has a nice house and well-improved farm. He subscribed for The Freeman, and said that all colored people should patronize their press before any other. The majority of the people have their farms well improved, and are what many term good livers. I was cordially received everywhere. Everyone wanted The Freeman, but they are somewhat financially embarassed at present. The Freeman or some other good race paper ere long will be a weekly visitor at every house in the country through which I passed. I make it a business to show why we should take our own papers in preference to those of the dominant race. Why are we so slow and unconcerned about helping each other? We see that the race we are so quick to patronize will not patronize us except to a very limited extent. Then why not return the compliment? Arise, O ye sons and daughters of Ham, from your state of dormancy! Awake from your lethargy and save the youth of our land from the tainted, poisonous and pusillanimous remarks which appear from time to time in our leading white journals. Show me a father who never has his son read anything more elevating than a dime novel and I will show you a father who will see his son incarcerated behind prison bars. Show me a mother who lets her daughter read love stories only, and I will show you a mother whose daughter will never rise in life above some white person's wash-tub. As proper food will cause one to grow strong physically, so proper reading matter will cause one to grow strong mentally. One writer has truthfully said: "A child's future is shaped by the books it reads."

Excuse me for the digression. While riding along near the line of Oklahoma and the Iowa, I met an Indian and found him to be very intelligent. I explained to him my business as representative of The Freeman, and showed him a copy. As he glanced at it, he seemed to be greatly interested, and said he had read several copies of it and had been trying to get some of the "boys" to form a club and send for it. He said: "I always endorse everything that is of interest to the colored man, for the white people are against us, and unless we help each other we are gone." He took my address and said he would get up a club and send me their names and money for the paper.

There was one thing that I noticed during my trip that might appear odd to the reader, and that was the almost countless number of women and girls who were plowing. I counted as many as five in one field with the plow-handle in their hands, the lines around their waists and turning the ground, "bedding" for cotton and "laying off" corn rows in such a manner as would cause an expert farmer of the North or East to be willing to hire as an apprentice. When the fair sex leave the daily routine duty of housework and take to the field, it is time for the men to go to "hustling." Perhaps this is the "new woman;" if so, let her come.

I delivered my lecture to a crowded house, and during the course of my remarks said that we should teach race pride to our children, and that there was no surer way to do this than to furnish them in youth with our own literature.

I next visited Evansville, where there is a colored physician who has an extensive practice. I must say a few word about Logan county. It is a county in which the Negroes are about 1,200 in the majority, and of course have everything their own way. The county clerk, Mr. Stewart, and his deputy, N. J. C. Johnson, are young men and are great favorites of the people, both white and black. I do not think anyone will run against them this year, for the whites know it is useless to bring out a candidate. The Justice of the Peace of Guthrie is a colored man, and Mr. John Matthews has been on the police force several years.

Leaving Logan county, a journey of fifteen miles brought me home. The condition of the Negro in Oklahoma is above the average, and the outlook for the future is bright. All we need is more men with money and brains to come here and go into business. We have seme, bnt need more with money, as all brains and no money will not do in Oklahoma. The people did not come here to sit down, but to work, and that is what they are doing. They have stopped sitting with their arms folded, singing that oft-quoted hymn, "You may have all this world, give me Jesus," but now work and sing something more appropriate, viz: "I must fight if I would reign, increase my courage, Lord," and at the end of the year they have some of this world's goods "laid by in store," and about as much Jesus as ever.

Hoping this will be received with the same interest that I take in writing it, I remain as ever yours for the extensive circulation of The Freeman and the advancement of the race.

C. D. CLEM.

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Miss Eliza Brown has gone to Bedford to work. Mr. and Mrs. W. T. S. White are back home from Keokuk. There are a good many strangers here attending the conventions at the white churches. Mrs. Hubanks of Omaha is visiting here. Mrs. Sarah Williams has gone to Shenandoah to be head-cook at the hotel there. Mrs. Mattie Williams and Della Foster of Keokuk were sentenced two years each for drowning a baby in the Mississippi.

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Professor H. P. Pratt said in an interview in Chicago that he thought the diphtheria and typhoid germs he had exposed to the Roentgen rays were dead beyond a doubt, but the cholera germs, although they had been inactive for eight days, might not be dead yet.

"I am certain now," he said, "that all my experiments will result in success. I have other experiments in hand, and I hope for complete success in these. I took a new set of tubes and put in them the germs of cholera, diphtheria, influenza, glanders, pneumonia, typhoid, tuberculosis and anthrax and submitted them to an exposure of 62 minutes. We will wait ten days on this and see how the germs come out.

"One reason I am so sanguine is that the exposure in this latest test was complete, while in the first test some of the germs did not get the benefit of the X rays, and hence, with the exception of the diphtheria and typhoid germs, were not entirely destroyed.

"For these second tests I have a much better apparatus. Up to the present the tuberculosis and cholera germs have shown no sign of life, but I cannot say they are dead. They may merely be stunned instead of killed, in which case they will show signs of reviving. In saying that diphtheria and typhoid have been killed I feel that I am justified in making no reservations."

"How soon do you expect to make experiments upon a live body?"

"I will inoculate a guinea pig with tuberculosis soon and turn the X rays upon it at the expiration of about two weeks. If the pig were let alone it would die after five or six weeks, but the disease will be in full possession of the animal in two weeks, and then I will put my theory to the test. I am not afraid of failure."—New York Herald.

QUEER THINGS PATENTED.

Bicycle For Modest Girls—A Curbstone Cycle Rack.

A number of patents for queer inventions were issued during the past few days.

Jennie Reid of Pond Creek Station, I. T., believes more females would become bicyclists but for their modesty. She has therefore patented a canopy for bicyclists, which will protect the rider from the glare of the sun and downpour of rain as well as the curious gaze of the public, by means of curtains, which may be hung from the edge of the canopy to the heels of the rider, completely screening her and making the wheel as much a place of retirement as the interior of a family coupe.

Another odd bicycle patent is that of Oscar N. Shannon of Riverside, Ills. His scheme is to have frames erected along the curbstones of various streets, to be provided with hooks and catch locks. Each hook is to contain a groove, to engage the fore wheel of a bicycle, and a lock to securely hold the same.

August Kiesow of London came to the rescue of careless housewives and servant girls by securing from Uncle Sam a patent for his nonexplodable kerosene lamp. He prevents explosions by making it impossible when the lamp is at an angle for the flame to communicate with the oil reservoir. This is accomplished by a peculiarly shaped tube valve, through which the wick passes. In case the lamp containing this tube overturns the valve automatically closes tightly the oil exit.

MUMMY MAKING.

Toledo Man Preserves Bodies as In Egypt's Old Days.

Physicians and scientists are greatly interested in the work of Karl Mathias, a Toledo undertaker, in the mummifying of Albe C. Weeks of Warren, N. H., who died suddenly on the train in that city a few weeks ago. Mr. Mathias claims to have discovered the original Egyptian process of preserving bodies of the dead.

All the organs are left in the body and the heat and chemical processes have not perceptibly changed the general appearance. The skin is as hard and as brown as leather. Mr. Mathias says that the experiment has proved a thorough success, and the rays of the sun or exposure to the fiercest test of the elements would not affect the body.—Chicago Times-Herald.

REED WON'T RETIRE.

Thinks a Bird In the Hand Worth Two In the Bush.

Mr. Reed's friends have caused an official denial to be made of the report that the speaker would withdraw from congress and open a law office in New York if defeated in the St. Louis convention.

They declare that the speaker, with every prospect of being re-elected speaker in the Fifty-fifth congress, and with a salary of $8,000 a year, which is $3,000 more than members are paid, is well satisfied to remain in congress rather than take his chances in New York as one of many able and distinguished men who are hustling for their bread and butter in the legal profession.—Washington Post.

A Record to Beat.

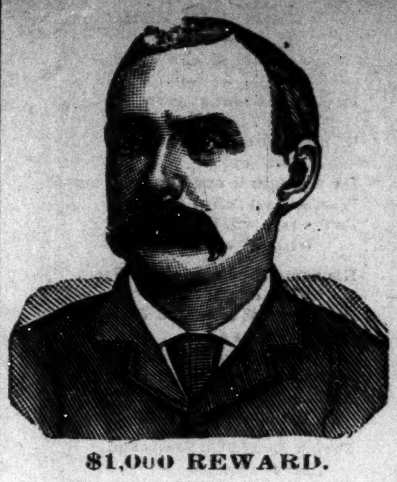
England's latest torpedo boat destroyer ran 35 miles an hour on her trial trip. This is pretty fast traveling, but our 15 new torpedo boats ought to resemble our yachts in outstripping all competitors.—St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

Not Accorded to All.

A grandson of President Tyler is charged with embezzlement. All grandsons of presidents cannot be allowed to wear their grandfathers' hats.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

How It Now Reads.

In the future "when Greek meets Greek" will not get so suggestive as "when American meets Greek."—Chicago Tribune.



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It is the curse of Spiritualism that in all large cities there are a class of men and women who claim powers they do not possess. They have neither gifts, credentials, nor references. Surely the colored people are not so wanting ing in sense as to throw their time and money away on such. Dr. Shea refers to the Hon. Chas. Miller, capitalist, 2481 Atlantic Ave.; the Hon. Wm. Denmore, architect and builder, 47 Cleveland avenue, and Mr. Fred Lampe, grocer, 641 Fulton street, Brooklyn. All have known him for the past ten years. He gives a free test of his power to all. The doctor has practiced five years in New Orleans, St. Louis, Memphis, and Louisville; understands thoroughly the diseases, spells or influences the race is subject to. He has now and always had a large patronage from them.

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Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This is to certify that I came to New York from Albany. I was a stranger in a strange city, out of work and out of money. I had no luck in anything I undertook. What to do I did not know. A friend advised me to go and see Dr. Shea. I did. He told me the cause of my troubles; he took me in and treated me as a brother. Through him I got a good position that very week. I had been to others; they took my money and did me no good. I bless the day I first met Dr. Shea. I would advise all in bad luck, sick or in trouble to go to him at once.

Sincerely, Albert Ayers,
2937 Atlantic Ave.

Brooklyn, Aug. 15, 1891.—This letter is to certify that my husband had gone away and had been absent two years. I mourned for him night and day. I gave him up as dead. Hearing of the wonderful things Dr. Shea was doing I resolved to consult him. He told me that my husband was alive and well and where he was; told me he would come home and when. To my joy all of it came true. He is home now, came back like one from the dead. I also wish to say that this month I lost $250. I am a poor woman and I was almost insane. I went to Dr. Shea and he told me I would find my money and to my intense joy I did find it as he told me. I thank God there is a man so gifted in our midst that can help people and tell them what to do.

Sincerely, Mrs. Barrett,
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A SENSATION IN BROOKLYN—A MINISTER'S STATEMENT.

I wish to state that one of my parishoners was sick and in trouble for a long time, Mrs. Brown, 37 Gay street. No one seemed to under stand her case. She had several doctors, but none of them seemed to know what was the matter. None could do her any good. It was my duty as her pastor to call and see her. Hearing of the wonderful work being done by Dr. Shea the last few years, I thought I would call and see him myself. I found him a sympathetic gentleman. He gave me a wonderful test of his powers; told me to send him a lock of patient's hair, which I did by her daughter. He told at one what was the matter and in a short time cured her sound and well. Her family had seemingly been under a cloud. Now all is changed. All are well and prosperous. I can truely and and heartily recommend Dr. Shea, to all those in sickness or distress of any kind, Rev. William Johnson, pastor Lebanon church, Brooklyn.

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PENSIONING EX-SLAVES.

In an editorial of February 29th The Freeman, of Indianapolis, said:

"It is mere demagogism on the part of those who are claiming to farther measures to pension the ex-slaves. Negroes should not be deceived by such clap-trappism. There is no disposition nor intention on the part of any body to pension the ex-slaves. Such fiction is likely to prove damaging in the extreme, by arousing a feeling of expectancy when there is no hope. Negro newspapers do a great wrong in trying to toady to the Negroes' passions in this matter. Newspapers are to lead, not to befuddle. There are other schemes of more importance than trying to loot the United States treasury. What government could adequately pension slaves of so many years? It should be understood for all time that these questions are meant to ride somebody into power. The measure is impracticable unprecedented, and absurb. It should be dismissed. Honesty of sentiment is required where millions are likely to be hoodwinked. The subject is a mischief breeder. The South has claimed pay for property lost in ex-slaves and with some little reason; for their money was in them whether right or wrong. It is more than likely that this question would be revived—make haste slowly!"

Notwithstanding the attempt of The Freeman to show up the movement in its proper light, a convention met recently at Little Rock, Ark., for the sole purpose of furthering the cause, The American Guide, of that city, after canvassing the situation shows that the possible mischief is not merely possible, but a fact. The American Guide deserves praise in its activity in putting a quietus on the whole affair. But The Freeman certainly claims the distinction of speaking first, promptly, and in pronounced terms concerning it. With amazement will be read the wide spread evil that the merest agitation has brought about. The Freeman is indebted to the Guide for these opinions and observations:

"Albert Desha:—The people in my section of the country, near Ashvale, are very much exercised over the talk of pensioning ex-slaves. The whole thing is a scheme to get money from that class of our people that can least spare it.

"M. W. Gibbs:—I have, from the beginning, gave my voice and influence against it. It's a cheat and a sham. As you have started in to expose it you should go to the bottom of it and hunt the rascals down.

"Bryant Luster:—I congratulate you in exposing this pensioning business. It's nothing but a fraud. You can have my aid and assistance. It's the best effort of your life.

"John Robinson:—A more gigantic fraud was never instituted. Any assistance I can give you in stamping out the fraud and exposing those engaged in it, I willingly give.

"A. M. Branam:—The people hail with delight your exposure of the pension fraud. In so doing I give you my hand and heart.

"Rev. J. M. Conner:—The people have the right of petition, but to delude them in the vain hope of a pension, and having them under this influence to give up money is a fraud.

"J. E. Henderson:—I styled it as a delusion to start in with.

"E. Hudson:—You have opened the eyes of the people and they feel grateful to you for so doing. In the exposure I give you my hand and heart.

"G. W. Thompson:—To take money from these poor, defenseless people under a delusion occurs to my mind as an indictable offence—obtaining money onder false pretense—and should be exposed. I have told hundreds of our people, who under the excitement, not to give up a cent. Do all the signing but give up nothing.

"Prof. J. G. Ish:—A great many old people have come to my house, others have stopped me on the street, inquiring for the ex-slave pension office. I have warned them as best I could against paying out one cent, and told them there was nothing in it. I regard it a fraud.

"Prof. E. F. Horne:—I have never attended a meeting—knew from the start it was a fraud. It is too preposterous to talk about. You are on the right road. Proceed down the line.

"J. E. Rector:—I think you have done the right thing. I have had these poor people to worry me considerably over this matter. I would even condemn my brother in such a scheme.

"Hon. C. W. Keatts:—Your article on the exposure of the ex-slave pension fraud was the best I have ever read in any Negro journal. I think the public and the press generally should join hands with you in stamping out, what I regard, one of the most stupenduous confidence game ever operated.

"J. E. Green:—You should get all the facts in the case—I will aid you all I can—then lay it before the grand jury. I have always been convinced that it was a snar and a fraud from the start.

"F. W. White:—My mother one day last week walked 15 miles to sign this so-called pension roll. She is more than 50 years old and became so fatigued over the trip that I fear she will never get over it. I would not have had her made the trip for anything on earth. The whole thing is a fraud."

These and many more opinions and observations are expressed in the Guide. It is only fair to assume that Negroes will soon be wrought up over the entire country unless there is a speedy effort to counteract the movement.

BOOKER T. WASHINGTON.

Prof. Washington has been with us—the citizens of Indianapolis. It is putting it fairly to say he created a profound impression, such as has never been created by a Negro in this city. The foregoing statement is made advisedly, in view of the other distinguished citizens who have visited Indianapolis.

As the guest of the Contemporary club, composed of the elite among the white citizens, he was honored as great and worthy characters should be. Among his own people he was known and recognized as the race's most eminent personage. He came to bring a message to the people. He was full of his subject. He tenets should be incorporated into the education of all the Negroes. An education that can not be turned to account is an incubus. An industrial education is the hope of the race. "Produce," Mr. Washington says, "what the white man wants and he will buy." The theory is sound. Mr. Washington uses no extravagant terms in presenting his philosophy. His object is, seemingly, to be understood. Part of the secret of his success, perhaps, may be charged up to this modesty. Mr. Washington will have no occasion to regret his visit, and the citizens, many of them, felt that it was their opportunity to meet the man whose name has become so familiar.

A NEW RICHMOND.

The advent of Dr. S. A. Elbert in the field for legislative honors certainly puts a different phase on the whole situation. The other leading candidates, Robert B. Bagby and G. L. Jones are men to be considered within the pale of eligibility from the standpoint of attainments. Both being men of ability; each having been teachers in the public schools of this city. Rev. J. M. Morton is being favorably mentioned as a candidate with some show of success.

The candidacy of Dr. S. A. Elbert, while a little late, will be immediately recognized as quite formidable. His long and active identity with the best interests of the race, party and city is very much in his favor. The Doctor stands for respectability and staunch partisanship. He has done yeomen service for the party, but, up until this time has held no office of profit or honor as a recompense for his long term of service. It may be held that it is an undue advantage to come out at the eleventh hour. The theory however is untenable should it be a case of the office seeking the man, which will be decided in the convention.

Of the fifteen candidates mentined for governor, which one will go fartherest in trying to give the Negro a just consideration? It is the voters time to reflect. The ballot, even in nominating contest should be used discriminately.

NAME HIM FRED.

BY DR. M. A. MAJORS.

In this presidential year
    Came a boy.
Of his future there's no fear,
    'Tis a joy.
He will agitate and fight
With a heart full of the right,
To the race will be a light
    Without alloy.

His name should be called Fred,
    First of all;
For our great lamented dead
    Loved us all.
He was Ida's patriot friend,
And with influence did attend
All her efforts to amend,
    When she'd call.

Then it should be Ferdinand
    To come next.
For in fact it was his plan
    Not pretext,
To be father of an heir
In this presidential year
And, he is it doth appear
    In his sex.

DOXEY FOR GOVERNOR.

Hon. Chas. T. Doxey, of Anderson, is one of the many aspirants for Governor of the State of Indiana. Mr. Doxey was a brave soldier during the late war. He has shown his executive ability by amassing quite a fortune since the war. He has long been identified with large interests that help build up communities and the State. He showers his fortune right and left to needy persons and institutions. As Governor he would be a man of large ideas, looking forward to the aggrandizement of the State. His powers of discernment would serve him well in this capacity. His large-heartedness has won him high consideration. No one need be surprised at the elevation of Chas. T. Doxey as Governor of Indiana.

"Poor Negro, the United States Supreme Court declared, April 13th, that he has no right to sit upon the jury when one of his race is tried for his life. Hell never dreamed of such a decision as that. Freedom to the black man is a farce, a humbug, a sham and a bagatelle.—The Voice of Missions.

Hell or no other seaport may have dreamed of such an opinion. However the opinion is alright. The supreme court did what sensible men would do, who know the relations that exists between the States and the supreme court. The black man's freedom may be a farce and is in many cases. This case was appealed to the supreme court because no colored men sat on the jury before which it was tried. The supreme court should not recognize caste nor color in the make up of a jury. The question is: "Were they American citizens, having a right to serve?" The fault lies in the state, and not the government. It is a great mistake to charge up these short comings to the general authorities when the troubles are local simply. Where-ever 7,000 citizens are overawed by 1,500 a standing harm can not sustain them in their privileges.

Louisville is suffering from her annual plague of horrid tales, involving the school teachers of that city in anything but pleasantness. Louisville seems a fruitful field for such demonstrations. The authorities will not proceed on informaaion furnished on rumor. Tangible evidence is needed. Happily this is the case or the ranks would soon be decimated by the ruthless touch of the blackmailer and the jealous hearted. For these characters nothing is sacred. Suspicion! Suspicion in every act not understood. Ever on the alert to traduce their "betters" is their creed. It is time to move off!

The Atkinson College, of Madisonville, Ky., has issued a beautiful souvenir pamphlet of the institution. It is illustrated by well executed cuts of the buildings, faculty, groups of Normal and primary students, short-hand and art students. The pamphlets gives indication of energy and ability at this college. The buildings are modest from an outward appearance, but the groups of students are signs manual of its intellectual status.

An Anti-lynching plank in the Republican platform is guaranteed. By whom it is not quite so clear.

It looks a trifle like fate that Womack should be defeated for the nomination of sheriff of the county.

McKinley against the field. The field is distanced.

Well do you think we are for McKinley now?

Indorses The Freeman.

Detroit, April 25th, 1896.

Editor The Freeman:

Your uniform promptness in giving publication of all matters concerning the National Federation of Colored Men since The Freeman has been chosen the organ of said organization, prompts me to publicly ask the members and friends of our organization to secure The Freeman in their homes as a means of becoming informed of what the Federation is doing. We are too prone to forget that our first duty in supporting any newspaper is to support one of our own, when it is in every respect a good and reliable medium of news. Since the first publication of a newspaper by colored men in the United States, now more than fifty years ago, we ought to have a daily journal. Whose fault is it? I venture the opinion that the fault is twofold. First, subscribers are too few in number, and fewer in prompt payments, and, that financial aid which is received by advertisements. This latter objection is frequently met with the fact that in each locality we are not sufficiently a commercial and industrial class to need our wares or business advertised. If this be so, let us get to work at this business. Col. Robert Ingersoll says a "man must be useful to be respected." I take it that he must be useful to somebody beyond himself. This is the great need of the colored citizens to-day in politics and in commerce, trades and all industrial pursuits. The second objection is, that frequently the journals published by colored men are apologies for newspapers. This cannot be said of The Freeman. I sometimes wish that such great journals as The Freeman, Age, Richmond Planet, and others would combine in one great daily, and that the Negro population throughout the United States would, as it should, give an efficient support to such a daily. Try it.

Yours truly,
D. Augustus Straker,
Pres't Nat'l Federation Colored Men.

THE BEST PAPER PUBLISHED.

So Say Our Hoosier Friends—The Douglass Literary Society Meets.

Pontiac, Ill., Special.

The Frederick Douglass Literary Society held their regular meeting at the A. M. E. church Friday evening. The following program was rendered: Song by the Silver Tongue Quartette; an address by Rev. J. J. Page, D. D.; reading, Mrs. Hatfield; recitation, Miss Ara Wonzor; original poem: "Fredrick Douglass," John Hamilton; song, The Chorus; instrumental solo, Miss May Lowry; debate, Resolved, That Rebellion was a Benefit to the Country. Affirmative, J. Hamilton; negative, J. J. Page.

Lewis Franklin spent last Sunday in Chenoa, Ill. Frank Sommerville was in the city last week. Mrs. J. P. Coates, of Gibson City, Ill., spent a few days last week visiting Mrs. Barnes. John Hamilton was in Dwight, Ill., last week visiting Mr. and Mrs. T. H. Harris, formerly of Indianapolis, who have held good positions in Keeley's Institute for several years. They recommend The Freeman as the best colored newspaper printed. Miss Bessie Johnson spent last week visiting in Chenoa, Ill. Mrs. R. A. Barnes is very sick. Rev. J. J. Page delivered a powerful sermon at the A. M. E. church last Sunday evening. Booker T. Washington Afro-American Protective League gave a grand banquet at Hoover's Hall last Thursday evening. The hall was handsomely decorated. Speeches were made by Hon. George Torrance, John Hamilton, O. F. Avery, J. A. Brown, and H. H. McDowell.

For Editor of The Southern Christian Recorder.

Editor The Freeman:

I pray the indulgence of a short space in your columns to recommend for your favorable consideration the nomination of a man for the editorship of The Southern Christian Recorder, whose labors have been felt in a number of Southern States for the edification and christianization of our race; whose active participation is commendable in all the great movements, both religious and social, which have brought laurels and credit to the race; a man who has filled some of the most important and responsible charges in the A. M. E. church; a man whose early education was based on christian culture; whose theological training at Central Tennessee College was profound and thorough; whose sermonizing ability has been acknowledged in Folly Chapel, Jackson, Miss., St. Paul, the largest church in the Kentucky Conference, Quinn Chapel, Louisville, St. Paul, at Nashville, Harrodsburg Station, Ky., and Avery Chapel, at Memphis; a man who has been invited to address some of the foremost educational institutions of the land; a man who has always been the secret societies' favorite annual sermonizer; a man who has edited some of the strongest, raciest and most stirring newspapers which have advocated the Negro's religious and material development; a man whose fame is well known by those powerful replies, "Dr. Tucker Answered," and on "Relation of the Baptist Church to Pedo-Baptist," by Dr. Brawley; a man skilled in mathematics, finished in rhetoric and conversant with history and belles lettres; a man who was conspicuous in the last A. M. E. General Conference at Paildelphia; who crowned himself and the race in that great Ecumenical Conference at Washington, D. C., in 1892; in brief, the great pen-picturer, the noted divine and pulpit orator, the race's praise and glory, well fitted to publish in attractive and forcible phraseology the doings and deeds of our people. Indeed, a man who will make The Southern Christian Recorder a sheet of life, of power and usefulness, if at the head of it columns his name can appear in this form: "Rev. John N. Abby, Editor of The Southern Christian Recorder."

Yours, John N. Ruffin, A. B.
Memphis, Tenn.
(A member of Avery Chapel.)

TURNED DOWN FOR HIS

Brother in White—But he Saved the City $10,000 in Two Years.

Kansas City, Mo., Special.

Mrs. Nelson C. Crews has been sick for three weeks. Mrs. Maria P. Williams of the Conservator spent several days in Sedalia last week in the interest of the renewal of the State Capital from Jefferson City to that place. Hon. Mynor H Bass after saving to the city as a market master $10,000 more money in the past two years than his predecessor has been turned down by a Caucasian. One or two clerkships have been gained by way of compensation. The following is a list with salaries of colored men in the employment of the city: Theo. H. Clay, City Scavenger, $100; Nelson C. Crews, Deputy City Clerk, $90; John R. Rone, Clerk Treasurer's Office, $90; Dr. L. J. Holley, assistant City physician, $75; Lewis W. Spencer, Clerk Street Deputy $60; H. E. Hyde, A. A. Jones, Street Foremen, $60; Steven Wheeler, Guards City B. B. Frances, Workman, $54; two janitors City Hall, $50; janitor City Manest $40; sixteen men, Street Department, $45; one Sanitary Inspector, $60; two policemen, $70. Other appointments are looked for. Prof. J. Dallas Bowser who stood at the head of the list of eligibles, was appointed recently storekeeper and guager, but declined. He attained the highest average at the late civil service examination of any applicant. Rev. Phil Hubbard of Denver preached for Rev. H. B. Parks Sunday night, and Rev. Elizah Wilson the boy preacher, filled the pulpit of Rev. S. W. Bacote, who was called to Lawrence, Kan.

Died in Prison.

Clarksville, Tenn., Special.

Dr. Williams and Simkens have formed partnership. Everett Trece, a conconvicted criminal, died at the jail recently of heart trouble. Miss Bettie Nelson died at her home April 25th. J. W. Nelson, Virgie Martin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Martin, died at her home on Paradise street April 23rd. Mr. Robert Hill has been engaged by Emmet Morrow.

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Our Correspondent in Anderson.

While in Anderson last week your correspondent decided to survey the political field and ascertain the prevailing sentiment concerning the coming political contests for the National and State honors. All hands were united for that great advocate of protection, Hon. William McKinley, of Ohio, for President. For Governor there is but one name mentioned, and that is the name of the soldier and business man, Major C. T. Doxey, better known as the laboring man's friend, irrespective of color. The colored voters of Anderson are only too proud of an opportunity to sing the praises of their fellow-townsman.

Among the ardent supporters of Major Doxey is Edward Jackson, an old and much respected colored citizen, whose story can best be repeated in his own words: "I have lived in Anderson nigh onto thirty years, thirty year of which I spent doing whatever I could find to do, thereby earning a living for myself and family. When times were hard and it seemed that the world was against me, a friend came to my assistance in the person of Major Doxey. Frequently he and his estimable wife have brightened our home by their generosity, providing for our many wants with the necessaries of life. Six years ago Major Doxey secured for me a position as flagman at one of the street crossings for the Big Four Railroad. I was stationed on West 14th St. for a while, then I was transferred to South Meridian St., where I remained one year. A new station master was appointed and he removed me from active service on account of my color. I appealed to Major Doxey, who took up my case and after a very sharp battle succeeded in getting me reinstated as flagman on S Brown St., where I have been for over four years. Young men, I want to tell you that there is no better friend to the poor and needy than Mr. Doxey. He helps more poor people than any other man living. Did he not give the colared people of Alexandria a lot valued at $500 for a church site; and did he not pay off the mortgage on the colored Baptist church? Yes, sir, I am for Doxey all the time. He is an excellent man."

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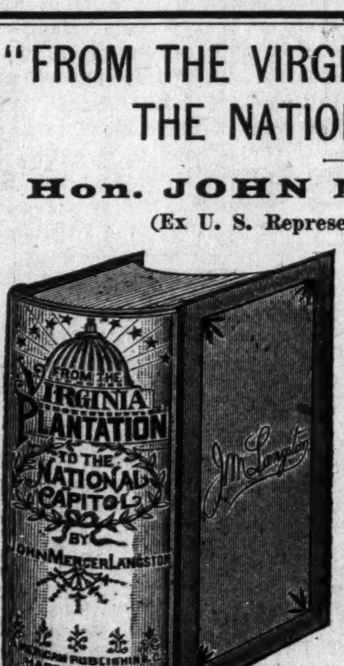

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A WEEK IN THE FALL CITY.

THE DIRECTORS OF THE ORPHAN HOME REPORT FOR THE

Second Quarter—The Professional Men Badly Beaten in a Game of Base Ball—The Scandal—News From Last Week.

Louisville, Ky., Special.

A grand musical and literary entertainment and a Japanese wedding took place at Quinn Chapel A. M. E. church last Monday evening. After the entertainment Rev. Evans Tyree, M. D., the popular orator and pastor and the favorite candidate of the A. M. E. church for the Bishopric, bid his Louisville friends adieu, as he has gone to General Conference. The general hope is that he will be returned to Louisville as the Rt. Rev. Bishop Evans Tyree, D. D., M. D. As a consequence of the disgusting and outrageous immoralities recently brought on the colored citizens of Louisville by some of the public school teachers, an indignation meeting was held Monday night the 20th at the Jacob street A. M. E. Z. church, with Rev. J. H. McMullen, president of the Ministerial Association of the Fall Cities officiating. Many secrets were revealed and as a whole, things were lively and often at fever heat. As a result of this much needed and timely served meeting, we expect some few changes in the high circles. For special reasons we refrain from publishing the names that were mentioned as perpetrators and will publish them later on, so watch The Freeman. The celebrated Peyton and Goodall case ended as expected. Dr. Peyton had warrants issued for the arrest of Goodall and J. Alcorn, charging each with criminal libel for some damaging articles published in the Informer, the organ edited by Hon. A. B. McAfee. Both Goodall and Alcorn surrendered to authorities. The case was deferred until Friday, each being under $1,000 bonds.

The Louisville A grade and the Alumni Association of the high school held a very lively meeting Thursday of last week at the residence of Miss Jessie Carter, 1305 West Broadway. Following new set of officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. H. Davis, president; Miss D. Lillian Tribles, vice president; Miss V. Minnie Simmons, secretary; C. W. King, assistant secretary, and Miss Lucretia Gibson treasurer. Arrangements were made for the alumni reception and Wm. Gibbs of class '94 was elected to address the class of '96. The U. B. F's. and S. M. T's. are making preparations for their Thanksgiving sermon which will take place Sunday May 17th at Centennial Baptist church. The Y. M. C. A. held a very enthusiastic meeting Monday evening and much business was transacted.

Prof. W. Pratt Annis is all smiles; its a fine bouncing boy. The Daughters of Samaria and G. D. of S. will have their annual sermon preached to them Sunday night at the Twelfth street A. M. E. Z. church, and the Independent Sons and Daughters of Honor will have their annual sermon at the same church Sunday afternoon, May 10th. Miss Christina Steele of Indianapolis, who has been in our city the guest of the Misses Crutchfield, left for her home Thursday. Master Norman R. Harper, the 15 year old son of N. R. Harper, attorney-at-law, died Sunday morning, after an illness of three weeks with brain fever. The concert given at the Odd Fellows hall Thursday evening by Theodore Drury was quite a success. Mr. Drury impressed his audience rather favorably as did also Kentucky's famous baritone singer, Jas. Douglass. Wm. E. Madison, Louisville's celebrated elocutionist, held up the literary banner with much credit, as is usual for him to do. The Louisville Shakesperean and Dramatic club made quite a hit Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows' hall in the 5 act tragedy of Othello. It was successfully portrayed and greeted by a large and appreciative audience. From all indications the school board will further strengthen the cirriculum of the colored high school soon by adding on a course in manual training. The State University ball team defeated a set of amateurs posing as "Professional Men" alias Centrals of the high school Friday afternoon in the National league Park by a score of 27 to 7. Many laughing incidents marked the feature of the game and was witnessed by some 400 or more students. Much interest was manifested, and Prof. Patterson of the professionals did some splendid work, as also did Dr. Williams and Mr. Burnett.

The memorial exercises given at the high school Thursday afternoon for W. Edarius Mitchem were especially impressive. The eulogies read by Jas. R. Harris of the St. A. B. Society, Miss V. Minnie Simmons of the high school alumni, and Miss L. Dora Maxwell of the class of '95 acquitted themselves nicely and each delivered masterpieces, while Miss Centennial Hill sang "Flee as a Bird" very sweetly. The report from the directors of the Orphan's Home for the second quarter shows a receipt of $303 with an expenditure of $234.78 and $69.31 remaining. The home is under better control now than ever before, and has been bordering on improvement since the present incumbent, J. J. C. McKinley has been president of the board. The entertainment given by the Glendennon club of which Geo. Wilhite is president, Friday evening for the benefit of the orphans of the U. B. F. and S. M. T's. was a nice affair. Miss Kate J. Grases, the celebrated elocutionist of California arrived in the city Monday from Chicago. She will give readings at the Jackson street M. E. church, Jacob street A. M. E. church and Twelfth street A. M. E. Z. church. Miss D. Pauline Cargile left the city a few days ago to visit friends in Baltimore, Md.

TO SECURE RECOGNITION.

The Colored Voters Organize—Wedded on the Quiet.

Lansing, Mich., Special.

Charley Dyer, who has been visiting in this city, started for Sacramento, Cal., Tuesday. He expects to be gone a year. Miss Addie Wright is able to be out after a few days illness. A meeting of the colored voters was held at Byrd's Hall April 17th, the object of which was to take some action to secure a proper recognition of the colored voters in the municipal affairs in this city. A committee consisting of John Roberts, John W. Allen, and Andrew Dungey were appointed to present their claims to the Mayor and Republican Alderman. The committee is working diligently and it is safe to say that a change in the employment of help will be inagurated in the near future. Another meeting will be held May 1st. The Misses Mariah and Hattie Dorsey of Detroit, are visiting their parents on Isaac street. Mr. E. Lewis has returned to Howell after a weeks visit in this city. A quiet wedding occured at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Dorsey on Pine street Friday evening April 24th, the contracting parties being Mr. Joseph Nichols and Miss Mabel Dorsey Only the immediate relatives were present. Justice John H. Chase officiated. Miss Elnora Healand and Miss Myrtie Salspaugh were pleasantly surprised by their Sunday school classes Friday evening April 17th. A very enjoyable evening was spent. Remarks were made by Miss LePearl Crawford, Miss Grace Fowler, Miss Healand and Miss Salspaugh. Dainty refreshments were served. A pound social under the auspices of the stewardesses, was given at the A. M. E parsonage Tuesday evening. Laura, the seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Leek died April 23rd of spinal disease. The little one had been afflicted for sometime but was taken suddenly worse a few hours before her death. The funeral was from the house April 25th. Rev. Wm. Lyons officiating. The remains were taken to Leslie for burial. Mr. Frank Walker is home for a few days.

Bishop Turner off for the Conference.

Clarendon, Ark., Special.

Bishop Turner, after spending four or five weeks with the A. M. E. church, left April 29th for General Conference. He is a great worker in the church and his race. His appointment is to Africa. His people hated to give him up, and wish him a safe journey, long life and success while in Africa. Rev. E. C. Morris, of Helena, one of the great workers of the Baptist church, spent two days in the city last week on business. The Ladies' Benevolent Society gave a grand supper last week which was quite a success. There will be a grand union picnic given by the Sunday-schools of this place on May 15th. Everybody is invited to take a part. Rev. A. A. Williams, P. E. of Helena district, passed through the city last Friday and preached a very able sermon at the A. M. E. church. Rev. Williams, pastor of Bury's Chapel, has returned from Searcy Springs looking well. Larna Barner and Larna Cassell had quite a racket in which Cassell got worsted. Barner was arrested and fined $16. Rev. A. H. Hill, who has been pastor of the A. M E. church, reached here last Friday, and filled the pulpit on Sunday. Mr. Hill is a very able young man and his people are pleased with him. Mrs Belle Smith spent two days in the country visiting last week. Geo. Akins has returned to the city to stay. Peter Smith, of Jackson township, was in the city last week on business. Dr. Turner, of Pine Bluff, was here last week. Mrs. Cassell is on the sick list this week. Mr. A. McAmoore, Henry, Thomas and Robert are employed by the White River Stave Co. The young people especially regret to hear of the death of Mr. Everett McChristian. Mr. T. D. Wilson, who is in the postal service, was in the city Saturday.

Will Resign His Charge.

Sulphur Springs, Tex., Special,

The pastor of Pleasant Hill church will resign. The people are using all possible means to prevent his resignation. Prof. W. C. L. Scruggs was in canvassing for Neylandville College. If this college will be built it will be a great advantage to adjacent communities. The people are realizing the importance of buying homes and raising such things as they need for their own consumption. Little Allie, daughter of Mrs. Lucy Harterman, died April 15th. The people of this community have organized a home treasure and an aiding society. The school of this city is being taught by Prof. S. S. Willis. People should keep their children in school; education is one of the essential things among the colored people. Rev. J. R. Robinson is agent for the New York Life Insurance Company, and is doing good business.

THE DOUGLASS CLUB MEETS.

Tendered a Supper—Miscellaneous Society Happenings.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Special.

Miss Maud Smith, of Denver, Col., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Geo. W. Stafford. Mrs. Amos Stewart went to Decatur Saturday to visit friends. The W. C. T. U. met at Mrs. Amos Stewart's Friday at 4 p. m. A large number attended. Justice Stafford returned Monday from a very successful fishing expedition. Miss Olive Cooper is spending a week at her home in Decatur. Mrs. Perry, and O. H. Stafford gave a 5 o'clock tea Friday in honor of Miss Maud Smith, of Denver, Col. Mrs. Gilmore Phillips, —— Perry, O. H. Stafford, and Fannie Cooper tendered a supper at the residence of Mrs. F. W. Stafford, in honor of her sister, Miss M. Smith, on Saturday evening, April 25th. It was one of the most successful informals ever given in Kalamazoo. Thirty-five guests were present, and a most delicious menu was served. Much credit is due the ladies for the efficient manner in which the affair was conducted. It was entirely a hen party. Mrs. Proctor has returned from the bedside of her grand-daughter, Miss Lizzie Proctor, Paw Paw, Mich. Mrs. Nancy Wilson's health is no better.

A meeting of the Frederick Douglass Club was held at the Second Baptist church, Tuesday evening, with the following program: Vocal solo, "Nearer, My God, to Thee," Mrs. S. S. Wheatly; remarks, "Social Influence," Mrs. Gus Hedgebeth; mock taial, judge, S. S. Wheatley; clerk, Miss Della Stafford; sheriff, John Outland; jury, Misses Lewis, Anna Stafford, Lydia Day, Sarah Foster, Mrs. Della Stewart, Mrs. Rosa Ward, Mrs. Gus Hedgebeth, I. J. Hackley, and Mr. Wright. Instrumental music by Enos Stewart and David Morgan. The following question was asked by Mrs L. Hedgebeth: "Do the ladies of Kalamazoo keep pace with the gentlemen? Ought they not to?" and was replied to by several members of the club. "What is it that is likely to attract more attention among scientists and laymen than Roentgen's X rays, the electric light or telephone, and by whom was it discovered?" was a question given by Miss Josephine Hamilton and answered by Mrs. Wheatley and Charles O. Balliff. Two items were read by Miss Josephine Hamilton. The committee on program for next meeting consists of Miss Annie Stafford, Mrs. Hedgebeth, Enos Stewart, and Mrs. Wheatley. Question asked by Miss Hamilton: "Who discovered the new death-dealing device? What is it called? Where does the discoverer live?" Question asked by Mrs. Wheatley: "Who is conceded to be the greatest English speaking actor on the dramatic stage to-day, and who is the greatest actress, and what is her nationality?"

MURDERED HIS SWEETHEART.

Tells Where Her Body can be Found, and Then Blows His Brains Out.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Special.

Mrs. Barnes and baby of Shelbyville are in the city the guests of Mr. and Mrs. H. McFadden on Graves street. Bishop Lomax of the A. M. E. Zion church was in the city last week and preached Sunday to a very large congregation. Dr. T. A. Thompson of the A. M. E. church left Friday for General Conference, which convenes in Wilmington, N. C. Sunday was a great day for money at the M. E. church and they were successful in raising quite a large sum of money that will aid them in the completion of their church. We feel safe in saying that they raised about $1000. There will be an excursion from this city on the 4th to Varnell's Station; round trip 50c. This promises to be the grandest excursion of the season. S. A. Hopgood, S. M. Manson, G. M. Richardson and D. B. Black committee on arrangements. Mrs. Wright on Leonard street has been quite ill. One of the most appalling crimes that has occurred in this city for a long time, was committed Saturday noon by Henry Johnson who murdered his fourteen year-old sweetheart, and then drew a diagram showing where the dead girl, Zanie Holt, could be found. He gave it to a lady at his home. He also asked her to inform the girl's mother, and while the lady was doing as he bid her, he stretched out on a sofa and blew his brains out with a revolver. The bereaved parents have the general sympathy of the whole city. The cause of the murder remains a mystery.

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Gosling's Weekly Budget.

Shelbyville, Tenn., Special.

W. M. Furgerson left for the Springs on the 22nd. Miss Jennie McChristian left for her home in St. Louis on the 24th but will stop by the way of Nashville for a few days with friends. Miss E. J. Little looks quite sad and lonely since the departure of her friend, Miss J. Mc. Mrs. Lizzie Matthew is much better. Miss W. M. Daniel is able to be out after a hard spell of sickness. Several attended the Republican convention at Nashville last week. Circuit court has been in session for two weeks. Several went to the pen. Lawyer J. C. McAdams and your scribe did some work this court. Wm. Cowan's sister, Miss Susie, sent him a very nice box of goods from St. Louis. Rev. H. E. Harris is having very great success in his revival. D. A. Wilson was in and spent a few hours very pleasantly. His wife is on the sick list. Bob Ferguson, James Buchanan, John Simms and W. M. Cowan and others had quite a debate on politics. Rev. Mrs. James Turner has returned to her work. Mrs. A. R. Winter will spend a few weeks abroad. G. W. Dorsey, the candy man, sometimes works out for his health. He knows what to do with sodding. Bartley Morton will go to Columbia in a few days. Mrs. T. T. Ransom is an admirer of Dumas' works. She is a lover of good literature. Prof. R. P. Purdy, James Gilliland, R. G. Daniel, Miss Cinda Washington, Loui Sanders, Beatrice Trail and many others have quite a trip in view. Get The Freeman at W. H. Gosling's store.

The Fred Douglass Club.

Houston, Tex., Special.

The Fred Douglass Social and Literary Club met in a business meeting a few days ago, and the following officers were elected by the club: President, E. C. Branch; Miss C. C. Wilson, vice president; Miss Ida B. Thompson, secretary; Miss L. Rose, treasurer. After the exercises a great many of the club members went to Ewell Bros'. ice cream parlors and were entertained. The parlors are a credit to the race. It is the finest in the city, and is situated on a very popular street—St. Phillip. The following members and visitors left the club and went to the parlors after adjournment: Misses Lula B. Chappell, K. Daniel, M. L. Johnson, S. Ollie Steward, S. Freeman, M. L. Tanner, L. Rose, Messrs. J. S. Dennis, B. C. Washington, John A. Lewis, E. C. Branch. The club will soon give a grand entertainment. The president will appoint a committee for the purpose of inviting Prof. I. B. Thomas, A. M., the associate editor of the Texas Head-Light, Austin, to address the club. We want more readers here for The Freeman. If any one thinks it is not a good newspaper, they are unfit to judge. Mrs. Travis has become a weekly reader of The Freeman and likes it.

Organized a Baptist Church.

Ft. Wayne, Ind., Special.

Mrs. C. C. Powell has returned home from Kokomo, where she has been visiting her aunt. Miss Addie Hall of Kokomo is visiting her sister, Mrs. E. Bassett. Mrs. James Smith is out again. Rev. Smith has returned home after a week spent in this city. While here he succeeded in organizing a Baptist church. St. Paul Chapter No. 9 conferred degrees on Bros. Topp, Reed and Billingsbe last Wednesday evening and have work for next Wednesday, and it is hoped all members will be present. Mr. Patterson of Marion is in the city and will accept the leadership of Hamilton Band, Matchless, and will give a concert the 30th. Prizes are out to solicitors, and it is hoped they will have success. Grace Robinson was visiting her mother Sunday. Subscribe for The Freeman at Ridley and Jones' barber shop. Sammie Jones will visit his grandma, Mrs. S. Raines of Logansport soon. Walter Lyons and Earl Jones are here from Troy, O., where they come to join W. M. Stewart's show. Sir Knights will hold assension services at the A. M. E. church Sunday week.

Attempted Suicide.

Crawfordsville, Ark., Special.

On Monday, April 6th, Mr. John Berry, a prominent citizen of ours, who has been afflicted with rheumatism for many years, attempted suicide by cutting his throat. John L. Margerum and Miss Eliza Tucker are ill, J. A. Barrett is up again. On the 12th inst., the St. John Baptist Sabbath-school organized a singing choir with about twenty members. The Second Baptist church is progressing slowly. Mr. J. E. Walker is our school teacher here. Mr. Chas. Margerum is our best machinist. Miss M. D. Thomas, seamstress. Subscribe for The Freeman, the best colored paper printed.

Lodge Sermons.

Kuttawa, Ky., Special.

There will be a Normal College and Art Hall erected at this place in the near future under the direction of Prof. L. W. Smith, who taught the last school term here. Church meeting was held at the F. B. C. the 11th ult., and elected delegates to attend the Quarterly meeting at Marion. The delegates were Rev. J. Barry, F. P. Harris and R. C. Lawrence. Frank Baker and James Rucker of Princeton, were here the 17th. The U. B. F's, S. M. T's. and the Juvenille department will have an annual sermon the second Sunday in May by Rev. W. T. Silvey of Providence; this lodge is growing very rapid in membership. Regular meetings first and third Saturday nights. L. W. Ratcliff, W. M.; F. P. Harris, secretary.

Royally Entertained.

Coldwell, Tenn., Special.

The Bible Reading Club of this place will begin soon at Mullins. A. Phillips, T. N. White and V. A. Moore are the leaders of the club. There was a grand leap year entertainment given at Mullin's Chapel A. M. E. church on the 18th for the benefit of the church and pastor. A. C. Phillips went to Wartrace on the 8th to install the officers of the Daughters of Syreon Lodge No. 7. Ed. Moore, who has been confined to his bed for several months with the dropsy is some better at this writing. Mrs. S. Campbell, Mrs. Ann Cleveland, and Sally Hoover are on the sick list. Mr. Ike Stokes has quite an improvement on his homestesd. Mrs. Allen Halbert and Lucy McGrew were royally entertained at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. Osborn on the 12th. Misses M. J. Connor, S. Mullins, M. W. Phillips and L. Bomar were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Moore. Miss Caroline Fugitt will be the agent for The Freeman at Haley Station. J. A. Stokes went to Haley Station Sunday last. Every Negro should take The Freeman instead of the white papers. Rev. H. C. Coble preached at Haley Sunday last.

THE "BLACK PATTI" DOWN

In Dixie—She Sings to Crowded Houses—Fell Dead at His Counter.

Atlanta, Ga., Special.

"Black Patti" was the sensation of Atlanta society folks this week. She performed most successfully at big Bethel A. M. E. church to an over crowded house. She sang again at the great "Moody Tabernacle." The Madam is making a hit in the South as well as in the North and East. The Mt. Zion Baptist church of this city is in sad suspense. Their much beloved pastor, W. H. Tuggle has been called recently to the Coming Grove Baptist church, Agusta, Ga. Rev. T. W. Glover, the former pastor of Coming Grove church has been taken to his reward. He laid a broad foundation. The people think that Rev. Tuggle is the proper man to this grand work. Owing to the delapidated condition of the Mt. Zion Baptist church a few years ago, and considering the fact that Rev. Tuggle has only been its pastor for three years, his success has been phenominal, having 105 acceptions this year. Mt. Zion is in a promising way and will do well to hold Brother Tuggle if they can. May he live long on earth and "cry behold the lamb." His excellency, Gov. W. Y. Atkinson of Georgia, will soon render his decision in the late investigation of the convict lease system. Miss Sallie Daniel who has been in St. Augustine, Fla., the guest of Mrs. H. Jordan since last fall has returned home. Mr. Casey the popular grocer on W. Hunter street, fell dead at his counter while waiting on a customer.

Church Doings.

Newport, Ark., Special.

Revival at the Second Baptist is quite a success, conducted by Rev. F. K. White of Little Rock. His three weeks meeting will close Sunday night, to engage in another one at Van Buren. There will be a corner stone laying at the First Baptist church which was burned last spring. The church will be of brick. Rev. S. A. Mosely is in Little Rock on the jury.

In Honor of Their Guest.

Dyersburg, Tenn., Special,

Mrs. Emma Blakemore who is the guest of Mrs. Rob. Tyree, was complimented by them with a most delightful social Thursday evening. Among those present were Rev. W. P. Green, A. J. Johnson, and Miss Minerva White and Bedford Pritchett and Miss Mattie Fuller, Frank Frebank and Miss Josie Snurling. It was an enjoyable occasion and the hours passed quickly away.

Many Entertainments.

Bowling Green, Ky., Special.

The old folks' Sunday afternoon class meetings of Pike St. M. E, church are very interesting and are well attended. The Little Gleaner Club of the M. E. church gave a gorgeous fete at the parsonage Wednesday night, April 23rd. It was nicely attended. There was an Old Maids' Auction at Taylor's Chapel A. M. E. church Tuesday night, April 28th. The Ladies Aid Society gave a fete at the Pike St. M. E. church Friday night, May 1st. A leap year supper was given at the State street Baptist church on Monday night, April 27th.

Millionaire Murdered.

Tunis, Tex., Special.

New Bethlehem Baptist church was crowded Easter Sunday to hear an interesting sermon delivered by Rev. L. K. Williams. The Literary Lyceum met and the program was rendered. Miss Walker, formerly of Illinois, now teacher in the Tunis school, was introduced and addressed the members. The four Negro participants in the murder of an aged white man named Dwyer of Brenham will be hanged at Brenham soon. Prof. R. D. Evans is progressing nicely with his pupils. He loves The Freeman and says he would not be without it. His brother from Valasco is with him. Profs. E. J. Hoffman, J. P. Munson and R. E. Hoskin attended the Republican convention at Austin. Friday is Freeman day. Get your money ready to take the great race journal. It has no equal.

Teachers' State Convention.

Corsicana, Tex., Special.

Prof. G. W. Jackson made a trip to Mexia April the 18th on business. Rev. W. B. West of the C. M. E. church, is conducting a series of meetings. They have added a good many to the church. Boliver Davis, Georgia's sweet singer, is with us again. All the city schools were closed on the 21st, that being Sam Jacints, (a legal holiday in Texas. Preparations are being made for the teachers' state convention, which convenes here about the 23rd of June. There are six churches here, and all of different denominations. There is some talk of organizing another. Chestnut and Perry's ice cream parlor at headquarters. Walk in and get a cocola and The Freeman. There are a good many visitors in town. Among those most prominent are Presiding Elder Leak and Rev. J. Townsend from McKiney Station. Rev. Pyles, pastor of the A. M. E. church is out of the city. Lincoln's Proclamation illustrated, see the agent Henry, Burton, and get two.

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RACE GLEANINGS.

A reform school for colored girls has been opened in Louisville, Ky.

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Aiken, S. C., a town of about two thousand, has two colored aldermen.

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Daniel R. Wadkins, of Anderson, Ind., has been appointed a city commissioner.

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Minefee, Ark., is mostly owned by colored people. The postmaster is colored.

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Dr. Morton & Co., the leading druggists of Tampa, Fla., employ four young colored men.

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Messrs. McFarlan & Gleen employ two colored clerks in their large shoe establishment at Tampa, Fla.

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Richmond, Va., has a steam laundry with all the latest machinery successfully operated by Afro-Americans.

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Eddie Moore, the musical prodigy of New Orleans, who has been studying music in Stuttgart, Germany, is dead.

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W. G. Maddox, of San Francisco, Cal., has been made assistant in the advertising department of the Southern Pacific R. R. Co.

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Birmingham, Ala., has two drug stores, two insurance offices, one shoe store and a bank, owned and conducted by colored men.

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A native West African music composer has produced a symphony in London. His name is Coleridge Taylor, and he is only 20 years old.

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Dr. L. A. Scuggs, colored, of Raleigh, is making preparations to establish a sanitarium for colored consumptives, to be located at Southern Pines, N. C.

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A colored man is the Republican candidate to represent the Nashville, Tenn., district in the fifty-fifth congress. The chances are that he will be elected by a good majority.

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Miss Marcia Gooden, who was discharged from the city auditor's office of Denver, Col., some time ago to make room for a white woman, has been restored to her place as clerk.

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M. E. Smith, of Almagro, a flourishing suburban village of Danville, Va., is the only Afro-American Republican postmaster in Virginia appointed under the present administration.

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There are twenty-two colored clerks employed in the postoffice building in St. Louis, Mo. There are eight letter carriers and five railway postal clerks who run out of St. Louis.

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Miss Lavinia Jones, one of the five successful competitors out of a class of 60, was recently awarded one of the free scholarships at the National Conservatory of Music of New York.

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Principal Booker T. Washington, of Tuskegee Institute, is to be one of the speakers at the grand jubilee exercises of Zion's Centennial to be held at Carnegie Hall, New York City, Oct. 12th.

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Sam Johnson, a very fine boiler maker, of Charlotte, N. C., has been with the Mecklenburg Iron Works for thirteen years. He has full charge of a large force of white and colord workmen.

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The patriotic citizens of Boston, irrespective of color, celebrated recently the 125th anniversary of the death of Chrispus Attucks, the Negro who was the first to shed his blood for American liberty.

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W. L. Engleson and six other Kansas Negroes have organized a company to locate town sites in that State exclusively for the colored race. Sumner City, near Topeka, was named as the first town to be built.

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Mining stock and property owned by colored men in the immediate vicinity of Cripple Creek and Victor, closely estimated, amoumts to nearly $175,000. Mining property owned by colored men outside of the State is estimated at $260,000.

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The congregation of the First Baptist church, colored, of Richmond, Va., of which Rev. James H. Holmes is pastor, has voted to give $100 to the congregation of Grace Street Baptist church, white, whose handsome $7,500 edifice was destroyed by fire a few weeks ago.

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A brief history of the woman's meeting organized and conducted in the town of Tuskegee by Mrs. Booker T. Washington has been printed in pamphlet form. These pamphlets give in detail the history, nature and plan of the work, as well as hints for organizing similar women conferences.

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There are two colored doctors, two lawyers, two newspapers, a drug store and an undertaker in Vicksburg, Miss.

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Mrs. Lottie Cox, of Blue Springs, Nebraska, has just been awarded a prize of $150 for the best and simplest invention submitted to the patent firm of John Wedderburn & Co., of Washington, D. C. Mrs. Cox is the first woman who has been successful in these monthly competitions which have been in progress for the past year.

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Within the past two weeks several Afro-American institutions have been left legacies. By the will of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Graff, $1,000 is left to the Church of Crucifixion, and by the will of the late Robert Wain Weyers, President of the Pennsylvania Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, $1,000 is bequeathed to the house of St. Michael and All Angels for Colored Cripples, and the same amount bequeathed to the Home for Destitute Children.

The Jolly Six.

Paducah, Ky., Shecial.

Miss Ednorah Nahar, of Boston, the noted elocutionist, gave a dramatic recital at the Washington Street Baptist church on the 14th, ult., to a fair audience. The talented lady should have been greeted with a packed house. A select choir and the well known vocal artists, Messrs. Wm. Powell, S. Proctor, Wm. Coleman, L. Walker and Flem Steele, assisted her with the entertainment. The Old Folks' concert at Burk's A. M. E. church, on the 19th, ult., drew fairly. The Ladies' Golden Leaf club has placed a life sized portrait five feet high, costing $30, of Rev. G. W. Dupee, in the Washington Street church. The officers are Mrs. Kate Watkins, president; Mrs. Polka Dawson, vice-president; Mrs. Sarah Mansfield, secretary; Mrs. Emma Sledd, assistant secretary. The revival at the Washington Street church is drawing large congregations every night. Things around the second school district, better known as the "Bloody Second," has settled down and peace reigns once more, however, the third annual vocations prior to the selection of teachers, for the next ensuing year. Miss Laura Threat of Mayfield, was in the city last week on a visit to friends. The Jolly Six, a club of young men, gave a party at the residence of Miss Jilia Jones on the 16th. It was one of the nicest entertainments of the kind ever seen here. It is rumored that two prominent young people of this city will be married at an early date. The excelsior brass band has been reorganized with several new people in the party. They propose to be heard in the near future. Get The Freeman of Mr. Bradshaw, 419 Jackson street.

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Last Sunday Rev. Thomas baptized eight converts and delivered a sermon on "Baptism." Mrs. Jane Turner has moved to the country. Elmer Johnson and Wm. Conoway spent Sunday in Chillecothe. Misses Hoggatts of Chillecothe, has been the guests of Miss Rhoda Shaw. Rev. Woods is preparing to go to the A. M. E. General Conference in May. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hazen will manage a grand concert May 26th. The death of Mrs. Cooper occurred Friday. Her remains was taken to Bloomington for burial. Fred Johnson, the son of Joseph Johnson, died Sunday the 19th. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson has our sympathy in this sad hour. Mrs. E. Madison is very sick. There was a quiet wedding at Mt. Zion Baptist church Wednesday evening. The parties were Mrs. Polly Wilson and Mr. Theodore Fitts. Success to them.

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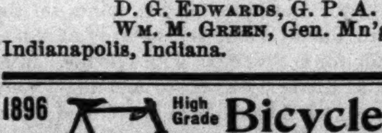

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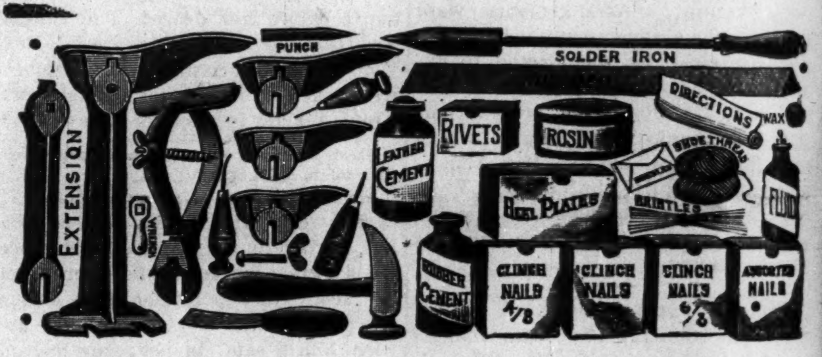

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Cincinnati, O., Special.

The 16th annual thanksgiving services of the Knights of Pythias were appropriately observed by the several lodges in this city at Zion Baptist Church last Sunday. This has been a prosperous year for the order. There are three lodges now in this city: The Grant Lodge No. 1; Polar Star Lodge, No. 27; and Garnet Lodge, No. 32. The program arranged for the occasion was a good one, and each number was creditably rendered. The sermon by Rev. R. E. Wilson, A. M., was a masterly effort and showed that the speaker had given considerable study to the history of the order. Excellent music was furnished by the Zion Baptist, Union Baptist and St. John's A. M. E. choirs.

Dr. F. W. Johnson delivered the anniversary address. Much credit is due Mr. Johnson for his close study of the order, especially the Endowment Bureau. The Link of Friendship of Lockland Zenith, of Cincinnati, attended the anniversary in a body.

Rev. H. H. Harris, of Indianapolis, has been called to the pastorate of Zion Baptist Church. The fourth anniversary of the Bethel Baptist Church was celebrated last Sunday. Rev. H. H. Harris preached in the morning, Rev. G. W. Lasker, D. D., at 3 p. m., and Rev. Wilson, the pastor, at 7:30 p. m. Rev. Harris filled the pulpit at Zion at 8 p. m. The anniversary of the U. B. F. will take place at Alled Tempel the second Sunday in May.

Col. Wm. Burns, formerly of this city, but now of Dayton, was in the city last Saturday on business. Mr. G. Wilson, of Piqua, was in the city Sunday. Miss Issa, of Springfield, was in the city Sunday. Richard Winn, of this city, with his concert troup, will visit Maysville, Ky., in the near future.

The Wandering Boys Social Club meets at their hall, 625 W. Court St., each week. This club is doing good work among our young people. An excellent program is prepared for their next meeting. C. H. Hunter, Pres't. Miss Mamie Hartsell, Sec.

Mrs. Ada White-Jones left this week for New York to join the "Black America." The company sails this week for Europe. Zion Literary Society was addressed by Prof. T. Augustus Reid, of Millersburg, Ky., last Monday night. Rev. E. A. White, pastor of the Ninth St. M. E. Church, will address the Literary next Monday night. Where The Freeman may be found: L. Thomas' barber shop, John St., near 6th; Progress grocery, 520 Court St.

WALNUT HILLS NEWS.

Rev. H. H. Harris, of Indianapolis, Ind., ex-pastor of Bethel Baptist Church of Walnut Hills, is now in the city, having been called to preach the anniversary sermon, which event was celebrated last Sunday. It is rumored that Mr. Harris will take charge of the Ninth St. Zion Baptist Church in the near future. The series of concerts that took place during the Orphans' Fair this week were a financial success and a source of much gratitude to those who had the management. The Standard Musical Quartette, of Walnut Hills, managed by Madame A. J. DeHart, deserves much credit for their classical selections on Thursday evening.

Friday evening, April 17, The Crescent Club met at the residence of the Misses Elder, and their first monthly literary recital was held. Among the distinguished visitors were Prof. J. R. Bishop, principal of Walnut Hills High School, and wife; Profs. A. Henshaw, W. H Venable, and A. J. DeHart. Profs. Henshaw and Venable are teachers in the Hill High School, and Prof. DeHart is the principal of the Elmwood Avenue school. Their eloquent remarks were both instructive and interesting, and will long be a source of encouragement to the club.

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Mr. Editor:—I wish to tell others of my success these hard times. We had so many fires and so many valuables burned, being out of a job, I decided on selling the new family fireproof Deposit Case for storing deeds, mortgages, notes, receips, money and valuables. I ordered a sample family size from the World Mfg. Co., Columbus, O. Sold six first day, right around home, at a profit of $24, last week I made $67. They are nice and so cheap all can buy. The firm make aluminum goods and other good sellers for agents. I shall make $1,000 clear this winter sure. Readar, write the company for a job.

Jay Cox.

Local Pickups.

Lincoln, Neb., Special.

Corporal Conway of Troop H 9th Calvary is visiting Frank Williams. R. W. Mitchell and O. J. Burkhardt are able to out their "runs." The Recherche Club held love feast at Mrs. A. P. Curtis last Thursday evening. Mrs. I. C. Collins entertained the club in royal grandeur last Friday evening. Miss Lilly and Fred Curtis entertained in pompous style on the 20th. The Anxiliary, ladies circle, met at Mrs. Frank Williams on the 23rd. Mrs. Minor Woods left for Denver her former home on the 18th. Mrs. E. D. Shipman has gone to Beatrice on a visit. On the 20th inst., J. W. Bush took a trip to Cheyenne. W. Robt. B. Alexander took a flying trip to Denver on the 20th. Mrs. Chas. Coyl is visiting her mother at White Cloud. The A. M. E. choir sang at the "pen" last Sunday. There are over 400 inmates at the "pen" with only 16 colored.

Easter Reception.

Terre Haute, Ind., Special.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Clark gave a very delightful reception on Monday night, April 6th, at their pleasant home. It was in honor of Gustavus Bass, of Sullivan, Ind., a brother of Mrs. Clark. Games were indulged in until time for supper, which was served at 11:30 p. m. Toasts were given by many. Music of various kinds were furnished. Mr. Browning is better. The Indiana State Normal of Terre Haute, which has a wide reputation, has now enrolled over one thousand students for its spring term. The colored students are Misses Rowena Roberson, of Ohio; Artie Sanford, of Rockport; Isabella Whitted, of Rockville; Lamma Mason, of Indianapolis; Bessie Lee, of Danville; Lena Brown, of Ohio; Misses Versa Anderson and Odom, of Terre Haute; Messrs. Biggs, and Bate, of Franklin; Curtis, of LaFayette.

Mattoon Items.

Mattoon, Ill., Special.

Charles Perry was clerk on election day. Mrs. Riley Norton is remodeling her home. Mesdames Towell, Jesse and O'Brian and others are preparing for a leap year social and concert combined, to begin Thursday the 23rd. George Smith and Hartwood have bought out a barber shop and gone in business. Robert Scott who has been attending the Nashville school has returned. Mrs. Mary Anderson, after spending two weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Bradshaw has returned. Mrs. Hawkins who has been quite sick is now getting better. Miss Bertha Perry was confirmed in the Episcopal church Easter Monday. Mrs. Wiley Smith was called to Pulaski to attend the funeral of her brother.

At Hymen's Altar.

Clarkesville, Tenn., Special.

Hon. G. I. Boyd has been visiting several counties. Miss Lizzie Wisdom died at her home suddenly the 17th. Miss Virgie Martin is seriously ill at her home in South Clarksville. Crook Runyon and Lula Ragborn made a short trip from home and were married the 19th. Mrs. Annie Kimbrough is improving. Albert Carmel and Miss Maggie Steele were married on the 13th at the home of the bride. Elder Stokes will preach at the Fifth Ward soon.

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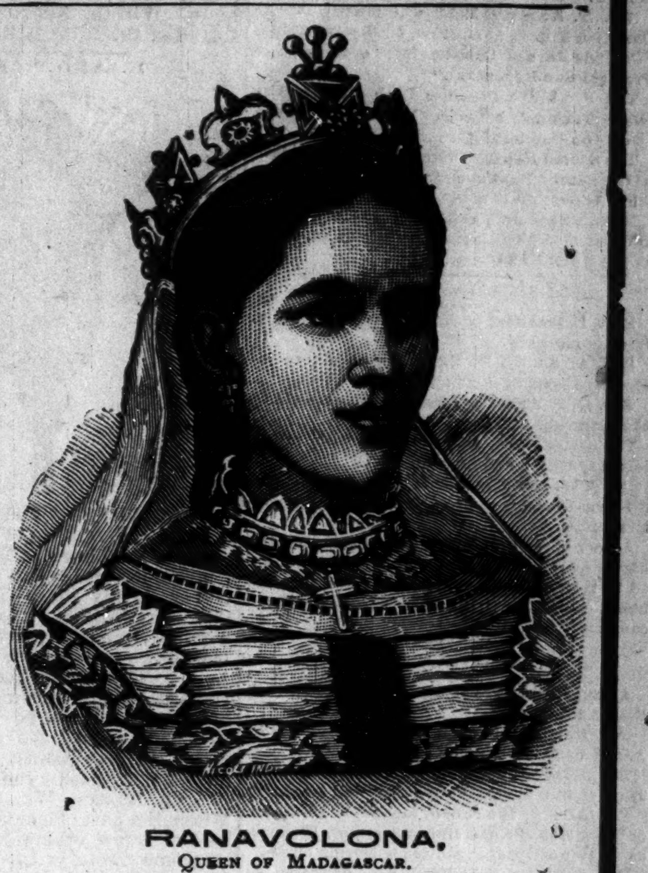

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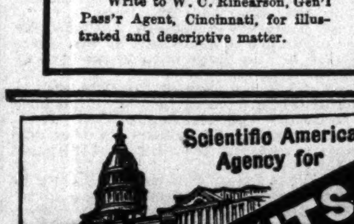

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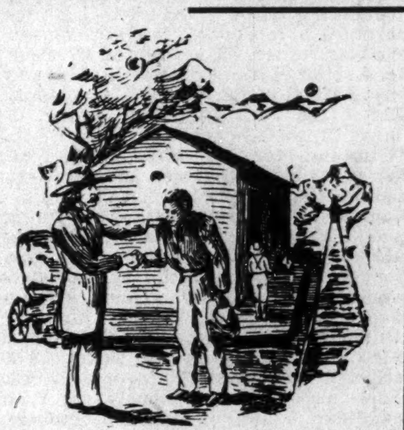

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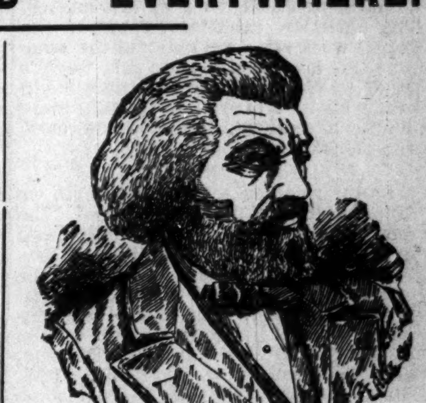

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CITY HAPPENINGS—PERSONAL.

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Miss Jessie Clay, of New Albany, Ind., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Puryear.

Mrs. Thaddeus Johnson has returned from a visit to Liberty, Ky., accompanied by her mother.

Rev. T. Augustus Reid will preach at the Christian church to-morrow, subject, morning, "Cathode Rays of Christianity;" evening "The Prodigal Son Repentant."

The Pembroke Pleasure Club met at Miss Essie Tuckers' between Ninth and Tenth streets on Yandes last night.

The Sacred Heart Tabernacle will give a fair at the Second Baptist church, May 6th, 7th and 8th. Admission 10 cents.

Messrs. Shoecraft and Shoecraft, of Muncie and Detroit, Mich., respectively, are stopping at the Hotel Nicholson.

ALLEN CHAPEL NOTES.

Rev. L. Pettiford of Logansport will preach Sunday morning.

Rev. A. Smith, P. E., preached a very instructive sermon at 8. p. m.

Rev. J. H. Fisher and Rev. Bowman charmed the audience with their singing.

The pastor, Rev. A. L. Murray with others left May 1st for Wilmington, N. C.

Dr. T. W. Henderson, D.D., preached a powerful sermon at 3 p. m., to a large and appreciative audience.

About three thousand persons attended the baptizing Sunday, 6 a. m., and it was pronounced by the assembled audience to have been the most solemn baptizing ever witnessed at the canal.

CORINTHIAN NOTES.

Arrangements are being made to hold a May Fair in the church.

Rev. Harris exchanged pulpits with Rev. N. A. Seymour last Sunday evening.

The series of illustrated sermons have closed. They were very instructive and well attended.

The ladies of the church met at the residence of Mrs. Geo. Prince, Dorman street, Wednesday afternoon and organized a sewing circle.

Rev. Farris of Frankfort, Ky., delivered an address to the Kings Daughters Tuesday night, subject, "Christianity vs. Infidelity." He returned home Wednesday.

Herculean Club.

The following are the committees for the Herculean Republican club for the ensuing six months: House committee, James Loving, John Starling and John Kurkendall; membership committee No. 1, W. H. Thompson, William Dodd and William Porter; membership committee, No. 2, Lafayette Jefferson, chairman; finance committee, Joseph Broyles, chairman; election committe, Allen Sims, Chas. Stewart, Elwood Knox, and Chas. Sweeney; reception committee, Wm. C. Brown, chairman; sergeant-at-arms, John Bell; assistant sergeant-at-arms, William Williamson. William Lewis was appointed chairman of a committee to organize a literary at the Club House next Monday evening. Tuesday evening the club will keep open house to all of the candidates for office on the Republican ticket. The club is in a flourishing condition. At the last meeting twelve new members were taken in. The club members contemplate giving an entertainment for the benefit of the club in the near future. The club decided to accept an invitation to take part in the Memorial Day parade.

"SWAMP ANGEL" ON THE WING.

"You can have all the world, but give me Jesus," is an old familiar hymn that was at one time sung with much fervor and earnestness by the Negro. Booker T. Washington in his address at Vermont street church last Thursday evening, said that it was a deplorable fact in many sections of the South that the Negro was still practicing its teachings, while the white man was getting all his worldly goods. We do not mean irreverence, for no one sets a higher mark on true christianity; but let us take a more practical view of the matter. The christian minister expounds the gospel week after week, but at the same time he is accumulating this world's goods. We think the ministers could bring about a radical change in those Southern sections, if they were more self-sacrificing.

In our rambles a few weeks ago, we dropped in at the Alpha Home. The new matron received us cordially, and took us through the building. It is a two-story frame structure, and could be made very inviting, with its several acres of ground. The home was donated to the indigent colored women of this city by Mrs. Paulina T. Merritt, and was formally opened in July 1886. Since that time a few improvements have been made, but not as rapid and of the kind we would like to see. We believe that the president and her able corps of assistants use every means to aid in this noble work, but that is not the desired end; they need and should have the co-operation of the 30,000 Negroes of Indianapolis and vicinity. Let a movement commence from the pulpit; let each church set a part a day, advertise it well, then turn the funds collected over to the treasurer and have the building re-painted, window shutters attached, yard levelled, etc. This could be done with perfect ease, and we hope everybody will be inspired with enough patriotic zeal and loyalty to make the Alpha Home the pride of Indianapolis.

The inconsistency of a number of Negroes is without a parallel. It was an amusing sight on Easter Sunday to see numbers of them "togged out" in their hard earned pharapharnalia—often a $10 or $15 hat with a $1.00 pair shoes or a $2.50 dress, and later on several were out in English traps. This is not only a lack of common sense and sound judgment, but shows the inability of the Negro to use his earnings in more profitable channels. In conversation with a Negro laborer, he said he purchased a bicycle for $95.00 to ride to his work and church. During the winter months he couldn't find any work. His family which consists of a wife, six children and a mother were wholly dependent on the wife, who took in washing, for sustenance. The husband secured a dollar-a-day job, and must ride on a $95 wheel, while the wife utilizes a $25 baby cab as a "push-cart" to carry the clothes to a home where she pays $10 a month. The poor man should have ice cream soda served to him every half hour. Will the Negro problem ever be solved at this rate of living?

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B. F. Howard,

B. F. Howard, the Supreme Deputy, is expected in our city soon to render his services to the Supreme Deputy, L. W. Montgomery of this state to obligate the members of the new number.

PHYLLIS WHEATLEY LITERARY

U. B. F's—Walnut and College Hill Notes—Society Happenings.

Cincinnati, O., Special.

Rev. J. M. Gilmere of Allen Temple, left this week to attend the General Conference at Wilmington, N.C. There will be a rally at St. John's A. M. E. Zion church to-morrow. Every effort is being put fourth to have a grand time. The pastor, Rev. R. E. Wilson leaves for the General Conference at Birmingham, Ala., Tuesday. The Phyllis Wheatley Literary Society is making its mark on the minds of the people in this city. At the mock convention Mr. McDuffey was nominated for president. There will be a good program next Tuesday night. The K. of P. of this city are making extensive preparation for the entertainment of the Grand Lodge, which convenes June 16-17 and 18th. The anniversary of the U. B. F. will take place at Allen Temple May 10th. J. H. Ayres, G. C., will deliver the annual address. Prof. A. J. De Hart, ex-G. M, the sermon. The Covington, Ky., Lodges are invited. The Wondering Boy's Social Club are preparing to give a public entertainment in the near future. The choir of Mt. Zion M. E. church is one of the best in the city. Much credit is due Miss Anna Elder the organist. Rev. Jones, of Troy, O., was the guest of Rev. E. A. White last Monday. Mrs. P. W. Walker at 313 W. Fifth street, has been very sick for the past week. Mr. Chas. Parham is on the sick list. The young people's literary room was crowded last Monday night. A good program was rendered, after which the annual election of trustees of the orphan asylum took place. Next Monday night at Union Baptist church they desire to place a candidate on the ticket. The society with over 200 people in the house endorsed, unanimously, for their candidate one of their members, Dr. F. W. Johnson.

COLLEGE HILL NOTES.

Rev. J. Wilson, Jr. of Union Baptist church, filled the pulpit for Rev. Campbelle last Sunday night. The Sunday school of St. Paul church, is in a good condition. H B. Brooks, superintendent. Rev. Payne, pastor of the M. E. church, is well pleased with his new work.

WALNUT HILL NOTES.

John Hamilton of 1116 Foraker avenue, died last Monday after a long illness and was buried from his home last Thursday. Hon. J. Smyth, the exminister to Liberia, and Deputy of the "True Reformers" has been in the city for about three weeks. He is at present organizing fountains for the order. Miss Julia Austin who was sick is improved. The "Crescent Club" will render a literary and musical program next Monday evening May 4th. Mr. Maxwell, a student at Wilberforce, spent Sunday in our city. Heretofore much talk was indulged in concerning the organizing of a mock national convention. At last we have succeeded through the stern efforts of Ford Stith, L. Tull and many others who are well versed in such matters. The various committees have been appointed for next Friday night, May 1st. The organization will be perfected and then the public is invited to come and listen to the various kinds of oratory, that will be put forth by P. F. Witlow and others. Read The Freeman for the weekly preceedings. The Freeman can be had at any and all times at Frank Hall's restaurant, corner Park and Westminister ave. Inducements are offered to monthly and yearly subscribers.

AN OPEN LETTER.

To The Republicans of Indiana:

The time is near at hand when the representatives chosen by the people of the different counties of Indiana will meet as delegates in convention for the purpose of putting in nomination a candidate for Governor and other state officers, to be voted for by the Republican party at the election in November. The State seems to be blessed with a great amount of Gubernatorial timber to choose from. In fact, nearly every district in the State has one or more favorite sons who they would like to see elevated to the dignity of Governor, and nearly every cross roadstown think they have the man to fit the place. They forget that Indiana in election is a close state, and that but few men can carry it to a success for the Republican party, and against our common foe—the Democracy. It would be well for about two-thirds of the so announced candidates to hold a consultation with themselves in their back yard on the important question, whether they think they could be elected, should they receive the nomination, at the hands of the delegates in carrying the State of Indiana to success.

The Republican party will have no walk-over this fall; it will take a mighty effort all along the line by the united strength of the party to land us on the safe side of the shore. Republicans you want to make no mistake, and not put in nomination some man who has no following or reputation outside his own district, and not enough popularity to carry his own county. It will not do if we wish to succeed at the poles, to put in nomination some small man who thinks there is no question but that he can be elected, and one who has never been heard of over his county line fence. Don't forget that we have a strong and determined foe to meet in battle, that they will put their best men in the front ranks and their choiest general to command the forces. In order to meet and conquer them we must put in command our best and most popular general, a man of great ability of generalship a commander of the people, a man possessing fine executive and business abilities, a man who has never made a failure in all his vast undertakings, but who has been a successful General from the beginning of his career, and who if nominated will give our foe—Democracy—an appomattox and waterloo, and carry the State election to a successful termination for the Republican party. It will be our duty to nominate one of our strongest and most popular men, if we do not wish to count defeat. We have the choice of some eminent statesmen who can be elected against any man the enemy may bring forth to do battle.

The most available candidate without doubt in the ranks of the Republican party to-day is Major Charles T. Doxey, of Anderson. He is popular not only in his home county but in every corner of the State. He is the man for the people and Indiana's industries; he is a large and successful manufacturer; employs an army of laborers at good wages and is popular with all classes of the laboring people; reaches out with an ever helping hand to the people in distress. He is a man of great business experience in all essentials pertaining to the duties of the chief magistrate of a great state. He is the kind of a man the people want for Governor. Nominate him, we will elect him. Doxey is a speaker of no mean order, as his successful canvass for congress a few years since was ample proof, and if he should be nominated he will make a lively and interesting campaign and the united party will rally around his standard,

Major Doxey has always been a great friend to the old soldier and their cause and will have almost the solid support. The laboring class will also give him their support in full force. In fact everybody will vote for Doxey who is in favor of good government; he has the ability to give the State a good administration. To the delegates I would say that they will make no mistake by voting for Major Doxey first, last and all the time until you make his nomination a fixed fact.

Yours for the success of the Republican party.

A. E. Forry.

Townsend for Bishop.

Chicago, Ill., April 24th, 1896.

Editor The Freeman:

To the presiding officer and members of the General Conference at Wilmington, N. C., assembled, greeting: Pursuant to a call in the Chicago Daily Inter-Ocean of April 23rd, a meeting was held at Bethel A. M. E. church, which adopted the following preamble and resolutions:

Whereas, Rev. J. M. Townsend, the popular and useful pastor of Quinn Chapel, Chicago, will come before the General Conference at Wilmington, N. C., as a candidate for the office of Bishop of the A. M. E. church, and

Whereas, The great work of christian civilization of the world has been delegated to the church of Jesus Christ; which work in connection with the A. M. E. church has become a necessity to the propogation and extension of christian work in the world, and

Whereas, There are four Bishops to be elected at said quadrennial conference, and

Whereas, The citizens of Chicago, irrespective of denomination, in mass meeting assembled, recognize the ability, fitness and christian character of Rev. J. M. Townsend by reason of the successful financial and spiritual management as pastor of Quinn Chapel, in which more than 900 souls have been added to the membership during his pastorate. Therefore, be it

Resolved, That we do hereby petition the General Conference to elect Rev. J. M. Townsend as one of the Bishops to be selected by your honorable body.

Resolved, That we request the delegates to the General Conference to use all honorable means to secure the election of Rev. J. M. Townsend, who, in our opinion, is the ideal candidate to represent the people of the great West in God's church.

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be sent to the General Conference, as an expression of the citizens of Chicago, in mass meeting assembled. The above resolutions were unanimously adopted.

H. G. Parker, Chairman.
J. A. Williams, Secretary.

BY THEIR FRUITS YE SHALL KNOW THEM.

In these closing days of the 19th century, the world is startled here and there by individuals who claim to heal disease by the magic power of touch, and thousands of afflicted and curious people flock to the shrine of these so-called healers only to turn away disappointed, dispirited and disheartened. The Good Book says, "By their fruits, ye shall know them," and so we come to say that in these thrilling days of wonderous things, amidst all the fraud and deception there is, however, much of truth and rightness, towards which the people are being drawn.

The cathode rays by which the scientist looks into the very inmost recesses of the human anatomy, have opened up a new and wonderful secret. This discovery is a reality, and every day there is recorded throughout the world some difficult surgical operation successfully performed. The cathode rays enable the skilled surgeon to discover foreign substances and abnormal growths in the human anatomy. This is well, and of inestimable value in many cases, but the cathode rays do not tell the surgeon and physician how to treat such baneful diseases as cancer and other malignant maladies in which the use of the knife is absolutely dangerous. Wisdom, however, is given to some men, and great insight is bestowed upon them for the treatment of disease as an insight is as deep and far-reaching in its way as are the powerful cathode rays in the hands of the surgeon, and of such men it may be said, "Verily, by their fruits, are they known."

Indianapolis is honored by an individual whose long residence here and whose many years of experience has brought him to the pinnacle of prominence in the treatment of cancer and like malignant diseases. The person to whom we refere is none other than our well-known fellow citizen, Dr. D. M. Bye. This man is a christian in all that the word impliies and his great, warm heart of tender sympathies goes out to all of the suffering and afflicted who come within the circle of his knowledge. Dr. Bye has done more to bring life and light into the hearts of cancer-stricken humanity than any other man in the world. His personal sympathy is so strong towards the suffering that his friends who know him best often wonder that he has retained so much of the vigor and strength of manhood now posessed by him. While the drain upon him is indeed great, the joy that comes into his being as he beholds new life, and vigor, and health restored to his patients builds him up and keeps ever a pleasant light shining forth from the windows of his soul.

For more than a quarter of a century Dr. Bye made the study and treatment of cancer and like malignant diseases a specialty, but it was not until six years ago that he perfected the now World-Famous Combination Oil Cure. It may be surprising to our readers to know that the great Combination Oil Cure is being sought for among all kindreds and tongues and peoples of the earth, and even the islands of the sea are reaching out after it. We have before us on our desk a publication called The True Witness, which embraces the testimony of hundreds of Christians throughout the land, who have been cured, as to the character of Dr. Bye and the merits of his methods. The Witness is full of letters which shower blessings and benedictions upon the head of this sincere benefactor of the human family. Any one writing for The Witness will receive a copy by return mail free of charge. In all the years of residence in Indianapolis, Dr. Bye has earned that esteem and confidence which crown him as one of the most worthy and trusted citizens. In giving him this endorsement, we do so with a cheerfulness born of a desire to help those who are afflicted, and we have no hesitation in saying that Dr. Bye is in every way worthy of the fullest confidence.

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